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Japan Invited To Join West Against Communist Bloc

FREE CHOICE OFFERED

Tokyo, Feb. 2.

Mr John Foster Dulles, President Truman's special envoy, today invited Japan to join the West in "collective protection against direct aggression."

But he emphasised that this offer to become a full partner in the anti-Communist group "is not a choice which the United States is going to impose upon Japan. It is an invitation. The choice must be Japan's own choice."

The peace mission envoy made the invitation in a luncheon address before the American-Japan Society today after eight days' consultation on a peace treaty.

Under the security programme he outlined, Mr Dulles said, "The United States would sympathetically consider the retention of United States armed forces in and about Japan as a testimony to the unity between our countries."

He pointed out the difference in the situation that would be created from the South Korean situation before last June. The United States had withdrawn armed forces and the United Nations had not made it clear that an attack by the North Koreans on the Republic of Korea would involve the immense power available for strikes against aggression. He said that with South Korea the deterrent of a powerful counter-attack was wholly lacking.

PRINCIPLES OUTLINED

"If, however," Mr Dulles stated, "there were in Japan the conditions I suggest no aggressor could rely upon enjoying what General MacArthur has called a 'privileged sanctuary.' Then an armed aggressor would be subjected to a striking power, the immensity of which defies the imagination."

Setting forth the principles that he believed should be given the Japanese peace settlement, Mr Dulles said, "We seek a peace which will afford Japan the opportunity to protect by her own efforts the integrity of the full sovereignty which peace will have restored; and the opportunity to achieve moral stature and respected leadership through the force of good example."

Discussing Japan's economic potential, the peace architect said, "Japan can have a good economic future if she cultivates the goodwill of potential customers and if she devotes to industrial effort even a small fraction of the energy which, in the past, she devoted to building a war machine."

Mr Dulles drew a parallel between the present opportunity of Japan in Asia and the United States' 19th Century opportunity in the West: "Then, most of Europe and South America was under the heel of despotism and Russia, under Czar Alexander, had founded a so-called Holy Alliance to extend imperialism throughout the world. The Holy Alliance, after initial successes collapsed because it could not compete with political liberty. The high tide of despotism steadily receded and the peoples of the European continent and South America won freedom."—Reuter.

No Crossing Of 38th

Washington, Feb. 1.

High officials are reported to have decided that United Nations troops should stop at the 38th parallel if they are able to drive that far in any northward advance in Korea.

While responsible authorities were reluctant to discuss the development, even privately, intent appeared to be to create if possible a basis for new efforts at a political settlement.

The US exercises through General Douglas MacArthur the command of UN forces in Korea and Gen. MacArthur presumably has been or shortly will be informed of the decision.

At the moment UN advances to the North are described as relatively limited patrol action and apparently the present strategy is not designed to develop an all-out northward movement.—Associated Press.

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BRITAIN'S "NO" TO SANCTIONS

Lake Success, Feb. 1.

Britain told the United Nations today that the General Assembly should not consider sanctions against Communist China "for a long time."

British chief delegate to the world organisation, Sir Gladwyn Jebb made this declaration as the 60-nation Assembly sped toward the final vote on branding Communist China as an aggressor, without a full debate.

Sir Gladwyn said: "Now that we have established our moral position beyond doubt... by branding the Chinese People's Government for engaging in aggression, the most important thing is for us to concentrate on the problem of a peaceful settlement rather than on the question of potential sanctions."

Under the Assembly rules, unless one-third of those present and voting demand a debate, a committee's report can be adopted without debate. Today, the five members of the Soviet bloc voted for a debate, and 32 opposed further argument.

The Assembly voted on the resolution in separate parts. First it voted on the paragraph pertaining to sanctions. On a show of hands it was adopted 43 to seven, with eight abstentions. Then the rest of the resolution was approved by hand vote 44 to seven, with seven abstentions. Finally a roll call vote was taken on the whole measure for final approval.

RUSSIAN CHARGE

Mr Semyon Tsarapkin (Russia) charged that the resolution before the Assembly was directed towards a further extension of United States aggression in Korea and against the Chinese People's Republic.

The resolution had been passed in the Committee "as the result of crude and open pressure, blackmail and threats of the United States directed against those countries which intended to support the resolution of the 12 Powers."

"As a result of that pressure those countries economically dependent on the United States were compelled rapidly to submit to American pressure," Mr Tsarapkin declared.

Sir Gladwyn Jebb declared that Britain attached "great importance" to the programme outlined informally to the Political Committee last week by the Canadian External Affairs Minister, Mr Lester Pearson. One provision of the programme was to call a seven-nation conference, with Peking included, whose first business would be to arrange a Korean cease-fire.—United Press.

AUSTRALIA BATS IN 4TH TEST

Loses Quick Wicket, Then Morris And Hassett Add 52 Runs

After a sensational start, Australia were 52 runs for one wicket at the end of the morning session's play in the first day of the Fourth Test Match, which started at Adelaide today. It had taken the batsmen an hour and a half to make these runs.

Lindsay Hassett won the toss and decided to take first lease of what looked to be a perfect wicket, with ideal warm and sunny weather conditions.

Although Australia had already won the Ashes, interest in this Test was not lacking. The attendance this morning reached a figure of about 18,000, and when Archer and Morris took their places at the crease as Australia's opening pair, main interest was centred on left-hander Morris, who so far has not been able to overcome the "Bedser hoodoo."

England's team was as announced. Australia made one change to their Third Test XI, Jimmy Burke taking the place of Sammy Loxton, who was relegated to 12th man. England's opening bowler Alec Bedser, started with a sensational over. After sending over two fast balls on the off-side, which were left unplayed, Bedser's third ball was glanced by Archer straight into the hands of Compton at fine leg. England had taken one wicket for no runs.

Lindsay Hassett joined Morris, and playing a defensive game throughout the morning, going only for the loose balls, both batsmen remained unbeaten at the luncheon adjournment. Morris had then scored 25 runs and Hassett 28.

SLOWEST 50 FAR

The rate of scoring was the slowest so far in the Test series, 52 runs in 90 minutes, and it seemed that Hassett and Morris were not taking any risk in their attempt to build up a solid foundation for their incoming batsmen.

Some interesting features of the morning's play were the tactics adopted by Hassett in collaring Bedser's bowling as much as possible and keeping Morris away from him. Morris, too, was adopting a different batting technique, presenting the full face of the bat to practically every ball instead of his usual glance style.

England has tried four bowlers so far. Brown made a double change in the 10th and 11th over, Wright and Tattersall replacing Bedser and Warr respectively. Bedser was the most successful with the analysis of one wicket for seven runs. Warr had taken no wicket for 15 runs, Wright no wicket for 19 runs and Tattersall no wicket for 10 runs.

Only three fours were scored this morning, two by Morris and one by Hassett. The following were the scores at the luncheon interval:

AUSTRALIA — 1st INN.

Archer, c Compton, b Bedser	0
Morris not out	25
Hassett, not out	28
Extras	1
Total	52

(for 1 wicket)

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Kidnapped Boy Rescued

Stephen Hsia, a Hongkong schoolboy who was kidnapped last Tuesday, was dramatically rescued by the Police on the summit of Lion Rock last night.

Police laid a trap for a suspected kidnapper and seized a man at the Peninsula Hotel when he spoke to Mrs Hsia who had been instructed by the Police to take \$4,000 ransom money with her to the hotel.

Full story appears on the back page.

STOP PRESS

Dawn Attacks By UN Forces

Tokyo, Feb. 2.

United Nations troops jumped off at dawn today (Friday) to continue their slow advance toward the Han River and Seoul after rescue troops forced the Communists to break contact with the surrounded French-American regiment on the central front.

Despite reports that the Communists were pulling back in some areas, B-26 night intruders spotted approximately 300 vehicles moving south during the night along fixed supply routes.—United Press.

THE TEST SCORE

At 3.10 p.m. (HK Time) today Australia had scored 172 for the loss of two wickets. Hassett was out for 33. Morris was then 102 not out and Harvey 25 not out.

TEST LATEST

Sixty-five minutes before close of play Australia were 205 for three, Harvey being bowled by Bedser, with Morris then 116 not out.

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Gen. Eisenhower Reports

GENERAL Eisenhower's report to Congress ranks as a first-class evaluation of the international situation, the unpreparedness of Western Europe to meet any act of aggression, and the dominant role which the United States must play if the free world is to have its future security assured by being in a position to deter any contemplated aggression by Soviet Russia and her satellites. General Eisenhower did not paint a particularly rosy picture of the situation in Western Europe. While he was able to discern a "rejuvenated spirit of resistance and determination to live as free men" among the North Atlantic countries, he was clearly depressed by the "discouragement, defeatism and destruction that had been visited on Europe." So far as defeatism is concerned, we imagine the General discovered a notable exception in Britain where, while having good reason to feel discouraged after helping materially to win World War II, and while having suffered considerable physical destruction to cities, towns and villages, the people are in no two minds about their determination and ability to resist aggression, whether of a military or political nature. The stigma of defeatism applies to other parts of Western Europe, and that this state of mind exists is understandable when it is realised that on the continent Communism has succeeded in infiltrating into the trade unions and political organisations to a dangerous degree, making it relatively easy for its insidious propaganda of defeatism and obstruction to be disseminated. In Britain, there has always been strong resistance among the masses to Communism, and it is this fact which automatically makes the United Kingdom the leading anti-Communist Power in Europe. But while defeatism is non-existent in the British Isles and while General Eisenhower can report a

rejuvenated spirit of determination among the rest of the North Atlantic countries, he recognises that neither influence is sufficient to deter or thwart the military power of aggressive Communism. The collective security envisaged within the North Atlantic Pact calls, therefore, for sustaining assistance from the United States, particularly in the way of production and raw materials for production. The point is self-evident, but has been underscored since the war by the vital necessity of the Marshall Aid Plan without which no West European country could have rebuilt its basic industries or to make them self-supporting. Basically speaking, General Eisenhower is asking approval for another version of the Marshall Plan, only this time to make the democratic nations strong enough to resist military, instead of economic Communism. But, as General Eisenhower has implied in his report to Congress, the West European Powers must qualify for this American aid, the chief qualification being willingness and determination to contribute effective military forces, to reconvert industry wherever needed into defence production, to achieve a unity of purpose, and to make sacrifices in ratio to manpower and production facilities. And no member of the North Atlantic alliance or their friends can cavil at this demand. Self-help is as necessary an ingredient of resistance to aggression as aid from overseas. The burden to be borne by the United States in the crusade to save the world from Communist aggression has to be heavy because of that nation's vast resources, but America is entitled to expect the recipients of her aid to make ungrudging contributions to help the general cause, and it is encouraging to note that General Eisenhower has seen manifestations during his tour of Europe that this is understood.

Grenades At US Sailors

Saigon, Feb. 1.

Vietminh patrols fired on a United States Navy escort carrier today and later threw 10 grenades at her crewmen on shore leave in Saigon. They hit neither the carrier nor the sailors.

However, five French marines who were with the sailors in Saigon were injured by grenade fragments. Vietnamese police captured one of the Vietminh guerrilla followers of the Communist Ho Chi-minh.

The demonstrations were staged to protest against the delivery of planes and other arms by the carrier to the French commanded forces combating a Red rebellion which has been under way for four years.

Vietminh machineguns and mortar fire was directed at the escort carrier Windham Bay as she moved up the Saigon River from the South China Sea. All fell short. Shore leaves were granted when the ship reached Saigon.

Immediately after the attack in Saigon, military police ordered all US Navy personnel to return to the ship. Many paused only long enough to pick up grenade fragments for souvenirs.—Associated Press.

Find In The Desert

Cairo, Feb. 1.

A semi-circle of 11 statues of ancient Greek philosophers has been uncovered in the desert near here. The figures are of white limestone, some in a good state of preservation. They presumably represent a Greek academy and one may be the philosopher Socrates.

The discovery was made four metres below the surface near the Serapium temple at Sakara, 13 miles south of Cairo.

The figures are in Greek togas and seated on chairs with animal legs, in a semi-circle eight metres in diameter.

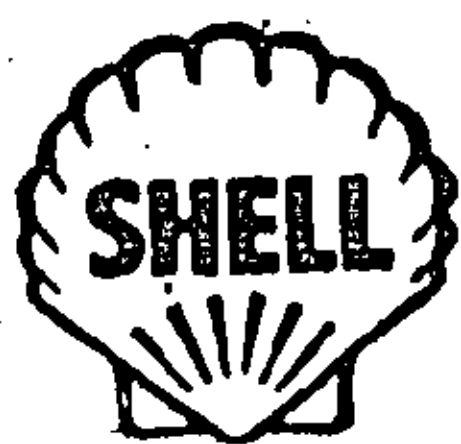
The possible existence of the academy had been pointed out by various Egyptologists in the past. The figures were found by a French archaeologist of the Egyptian Department of Antiquities.—United Press.

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Censure Motion Defeated

London, Feb. 1.
The Labour Government defeated today a Conservative motion of censure over the coal crisis.

The vote in the Parliament was 300 for the government and 280 against. Nine Liberal party members abstained.

British domestic coal is to go up in price this month.

The Fuel Minister, Mr. Philip Noel Baker, made the announcement as the Labour Government was fighting a challenge from the Conservatives on its coal policy and the fuel crisis.

The increase of four shillings and two pence a ton will take effect from Monday for all purposes except household coal. The price for that will be raised a week later.

The price of coke is being increased six shillings and three pence a ton.

Mr. Noel Baker also announced that because of the coal crisis industrial firms would only get 85 percent of their coal allocation.

This would help to check the "dangerously rapid" fall in the coal stocks of the electricity power stations.

Some factories with low stocks might be forced to close down until fresh supplies became available, he said.

ARMY RELEASES
The Minister added that the Government had decided to release from the Forces miners who wished to volunteer to return to coal mines.

Another measure to increase supplies is a decision to continue open-cast mining (digging coal just under the surface) for five years. It is hoped that this would bring in 50,000,000 tons. —Reuter.

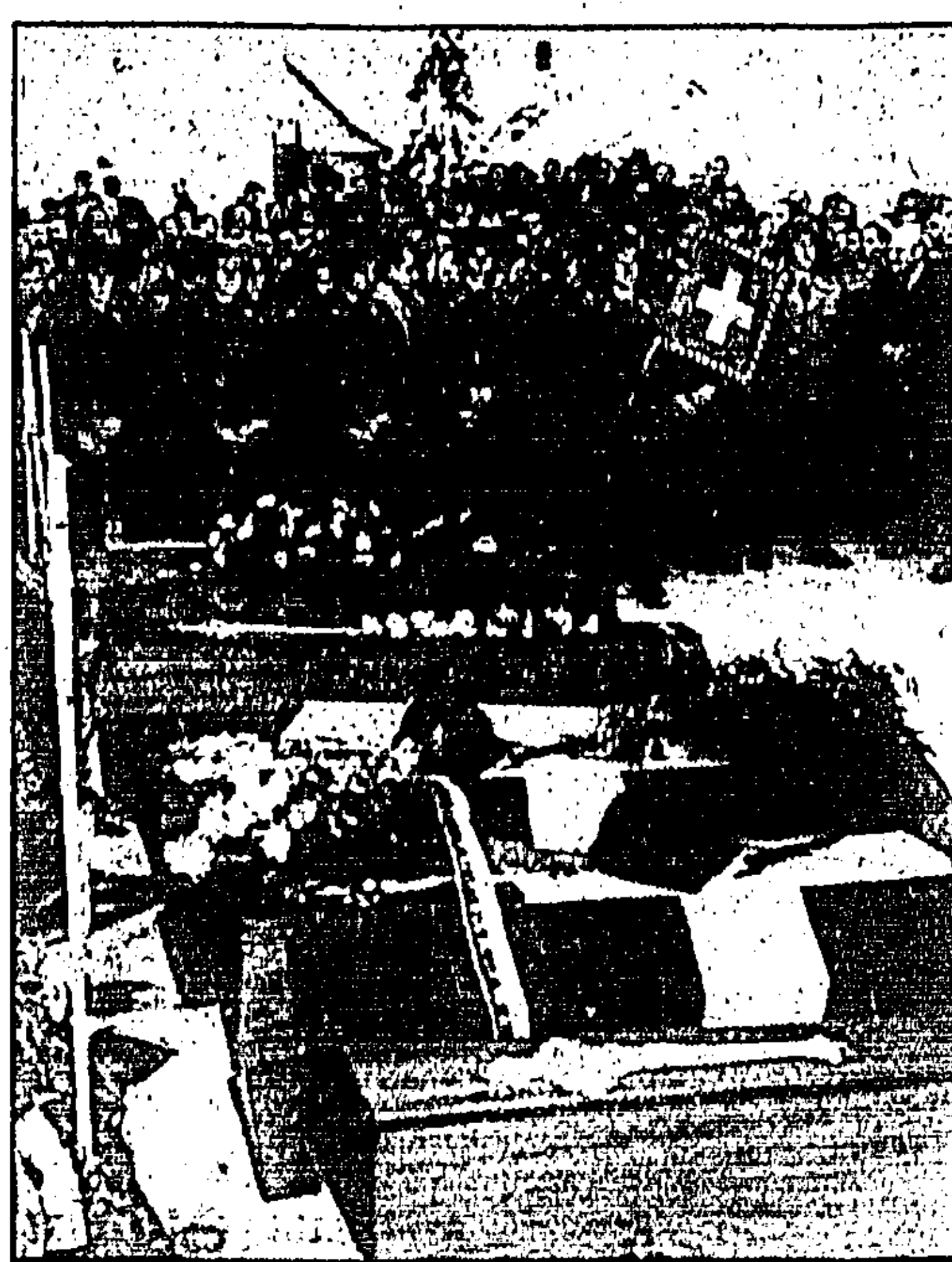
Stikker Fails

The Hague, Feb. 1.
The former Foreign Minister, Mr. Dirk Stikker, informed Queen Juliana today that he had failed to form a Cabinet to end Holland's eight-day governmental crisis. Informed sources said Mr. Stikker, a member of the Freedom and Democracy Party, failed because the Socialists opposed his plan for forming a Cabinet of "strong men" and the Catholics opposed his plan as too liberal. —United Press.

Appeal For India

Grand Rapids, Michigan, Feb. 1.
The President of the American Board of Foreign Missions of the Congregational Christian Churches said today that he had telegraphed to President Truman appealing for the immediate shipment of large quantities of grain to avert the Indian famine threat. —United Press.

Victims Of Avalanche



Soldiers of the Swiss Frontier Guard with their standard stand guard over the coffins of victims of the avalanche disaster at Andermatt, Switzerland, before they were conveyed to their last resting place. — AP Picture.

FIRST BRITISH CENSUS FOR 23 YEARS

London, Feb. 1.

Overcrowded Britain — recently termed "probably the most vulnerable target in the world" in an atom war — will have its noses counted for the first time in 23 years on April 8.

Defence, housing, and emigration men will have a special interest in the new total, which unofficial estimates indicate may top 51,000,000.

Also watching will be Empire authorities — especially in Australia and Canada — who have long had a "welcome" mat out for British skilled labour and technical men.

Because of its chronic overpopulation problem, Australia's former Immigration Minister Arthur A. Calwell gave Britain the "most vulnerable target" tag. He added "Some 50,000,000 people living in an area of 89,000 square miles are potentially the weakest link in the Commonwealth chain."

Sixty thousand enumerators will take the new census, first official count since 1931. By chance, the Republic of Ireland will take its own the same day so figures for the entire British Isles — including the Channel Islands and tiny lighthouses on remote Scottish isles — will be on hand simultaneously.

The figure for England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland in an unofficial estimate two years ago was 50,519,000 despite the tide of migration to the Dominions and colonies.

Those figures showed that England and Wales — manufacturing and mining heart of British industrial life — averaged 750 persons to the square mile. France had 194, and the United States had 49.

STEADY EXPANSION

Britain's population has been expanding steadily since the first official census in 1801. That count, which took in all of Ireland, was 16,345,046. The last official census, in 1931, listed 44,790,485 inhabitants in Great Britain. The Republic of Ireland, then called the Irish Free State, was not included. Britain hopes to get her count finished on April 8, a Sunday, but some census takers will

probably need a couple of days to reach isolated lighthouses and tiny islands in Scotland's far north.

The project will cost the British taxpayer about £1,125,000 but officials think it is worth it.

They want some light on topics like these: How many Britons still speak no English? The 1931 enumerators found that 6,700 spoke only Gaelic. How many have piped water, fixed bathtubs, and "other arrangements"? This is a new question for Britain although it has been asked in the United States, France, Australia and New Zealand.

FAMILY STATISTICS

How many Britons have married or a second or third time? The Labour Government is keen on family statistics that might bear on its housing problem and general social service programmes.

In addition, there will be all the normal census queries: sex, age, marriage status, place of birth, home and business addresses etc.

Britons have been assured that it is all strictly confidential and the census folks have promised that returns will not be used to track down deserters from the Armed Forces or income tax dodgers. But everybody has to answer the questions on the enumerators' two-foot forms.

Those who refuse to supply the facts are liable to a £10 fine. Analysis of the returns will probably take several years. — Associated Press.

PORTUGUESE

AIR DISASTER

Lisbon, Feb. 1.
A Portuguese military Sky-mate plane from the Lagens Base in the Azores crashed into the sea last night, killing all the 14 people aboard. The crash, believed to have been caused by an explosion, occurred four miles east of Victoria Beach, Terceira Island, in the Azores, according to reports received here tonight. — Reuter.

NO ALTERNATIVE TO U.S. AID, SAYS GEN. EISENHOWER

Washington, Feb. 1.

General Dwight D. Eisenhower, the North Atlantic Army's Supreme Commander, told Congress members today that there was "no acceptable alternative to American help in rearming Europe."

Speaking at an informal joint meeting of the Senate and the House of Representatives, he said: "We must give Europe assistance, not only because there is no acceptable alternative but because, if we were left standing alone, isolated in a world of Communism, our system would wither away."

He did not intend reporting on his talks in Germany. "I personally think that there has to be a political platform, achieved, an understanding, before we start to talk about German units," he said.

"I want no unwilling contingents. Until political leaders, diplomats and statesmen find a proper answer it is not for a soldier to delve too deeply."

General Eisenhower said that there was no question of Western Europe's desire to resist aggression. "There is a determination to do their part — to take the risk."

He said, too, that Europe's greatest need now was not American soldiers but equipment which, he said, must be delivered in quantity and quickly.

As to the transfer of American troops to Europe, General Eisenhower said that these should be sent in a ratio to what the Europeans themselves provided.

General Eisenhower sketched briefly the conditions in the individual countries of Europe as he had found them.

Throughout his tour of the North Atlantic countries, he found a rejuvenated spirit of resistance and determination to live as free men and to do their part and take the risk.

One of the examples of this spirit, he said, he found in France, where their conscription law had been tightened to the point when it permitted almost no exemptions.

WOULD RESIST

"There is no question," General Eisenhower said, "that they have determined to free themselves of the threat of Communism, both internally and externally."

General Eisenhower said that he found the same spirit in the other North Atlantic nations. They had decided that they would never again be occupied. They would resist to the point of destruction, he added.

In Rome, it was quite clear that there was a stiffening resolve to make the limited military force as efficient as possible, he said.

"There is no question about Norway's determination to resist to the point of destruction," he went on.

He told the Congressmen that they would be forced from time to time to make decisions that were going to be far-reaching and which might determine the course of Western civilisation and whether free government was going to exist.

General Eisenhower drew applause when he asserted that the United States cannot pick up the world on its economic shoulders and carry it. "We must have direct cooperation if we are to work with other nations," he said.

BUILDING A WALL

"We are not attempting to build a force that has any aggressive or any belligerent intent," General Eisenhower said. "We are concerned only with one thing. In a world in which the power of military might is much respected we are going to build for ourselves a secure wall of force and security."

"What we are trying to do cannot honestly be considered by any other nation as a threat to its security. If any such charge is made, it is for a nefarious purpose."

General Eisenhower said that the greatest pool of skilled labour existed in Western Europe and its industrial fabric was second only to that of the United States.

If they were driven from America's side, he said, to the other side, the military balance of power would be shifted so drastically that America's safety would be imperilled.

It was impossible to imagine the fall of Western Europe to Communism without the simultaneous fall of other areas closely associated with Western Europe.

"We would be cut off from areas from which we draw materials absolutely essential to our existence," he said.

"No matter how strong we would be in keeping open the routes of communications, clearly we must keep open the area and keep them friendly to us."

HIGHER UNITY NEEDED

General Eisenhower asked how the United States could possibly think of existing without such vital supplies from abroad as magnesium, copper and uranium.

Such supplies were tied up with the United States concern with the Western European complex and the United States determination to defend it.

The reason for the assistance to Europe was not only because the United States would suffer economic catastrophe and the United States could do the job.

Europe and North Africa between them had 350 million people, representing the highest culture upon earth. Western Europe and the United States together possessed great reservoirs of leadership that had not yet been touched and they had the greatest productive capacity and access to the raw materials which they needed.

The reason why the free world found itself fighting a totalitarian government was because the Communists had a unity of purpose even though it was achieved by force — by a gun in the kidneys.

"The only thing we have to do is to meet that unity with a higher type — a unity of men that will not be defeated," he said.

General Eisenhower disclosed that France had promised 25 battleworthy divisions by the end of 1952. He added: "We cannot concentrate all our forces in any one sector even when it is as important as Western Europe."

"We must have a great mobile, powerful reserve ready to support our policies on rights, our interests, wherever they may be endangered in the world."

TIME IMPORTANT

General Eisenhower said that time was an important element in the defence preparations of the free world. "We must accept the disadvantages, militarily, nationally and internationally, that go with peaceful intent and defensive purposes only," he said.

General Eisenhower said that the United States had been spared much of the discouragement, defeatism and destruction that had been visited on Europe. "We are younger, fresher and we are further removed from the immediate threat," he said.

The financial, moral, material and military strength of the United States should inspire its allies abroad to proportionate efforts.

"The Western Europe complex is so important to our nature, to them our future is so definitely tied, that we cannot afford to do less than our best in making sure that it does not go down the drain."

General Eisenhower said that any aggressor could pick a day on which he intended to strike. But the United States and its Allies had to devise schemes to secure the peace over many years so long as the threat of aggression remained.

One of the greatest deficiencies in Europe was that of equipment and material. The European nations had little in the way of munitions and productivity but it was growing.

General Eisenhower believed the transfer of some United States units, carefully gauged in their ratio, was essential to the great and crying need in Europe today was that of equipment.

"We must do it quickly," he said. "We must now go into production of equipment exactly as if we are preparing for the emergence of war."

General Eisenhower said what was sought now was to start a chain of reciprocal action across the Atlantic by which the United States could inspire its Allies to greater confidence which, in turn, would create greater United States confidence in Western Europe.

"The true defence of a nation must be within its own soul. We must be sure the heart and soul of Europe is right. We must march together and ensure that the United States is not being made an Atlas to carry the world on its shoulders."

"But at the same time we must not fail to get out in front, and provide the leadership."

General Eisenhower said that Americans must have patience with their European Allies.

General Eisenhower concluded: "The cost of peace would be a sacrifice, nationally and individually. But total war is a tragedy and the suicide of our civilisation." — Reuter.

SHOCK FOR MALAYA QUITTERS

Singapore, Feb. 1.

Chinese who leave Malaya to avoid the manpower call-up which was announced last month may not be allowed to return to the country, it was officially learned here today.

Thousands of Chinese in the 18 to 24 age group affected by the call have stormed immigration offices during the past few days seeking certificates to readmit them to Malaya if they visited China.

The Government is expected to warn these "quitters" as one official called them, that if the stampede to China continued steps would be taken to stop them coming back.

An official statement today said that severe penalties had been provided for false representation under the Manpower Regulations and failure to comply with direction notices.

It said that though the 18 to 24 age group was being registered it was not the intention of the Government to call on youths of 17. There were 280,000 in Malaya between ages named and only 20,000 or one in fifteen would be required.

The 280,000 included 135,000 Malays, 120,000 Chinese, 32,000 Indians and 3,000 others, the statement said.

An official said that only a very small number of those conscripted would be put into police jungle squads to hunt terrorists. The remainder would be required for the regular police and the special constabulary for service in Malaya only.

Some conscripts would be used in resettlement work. — Reuter.

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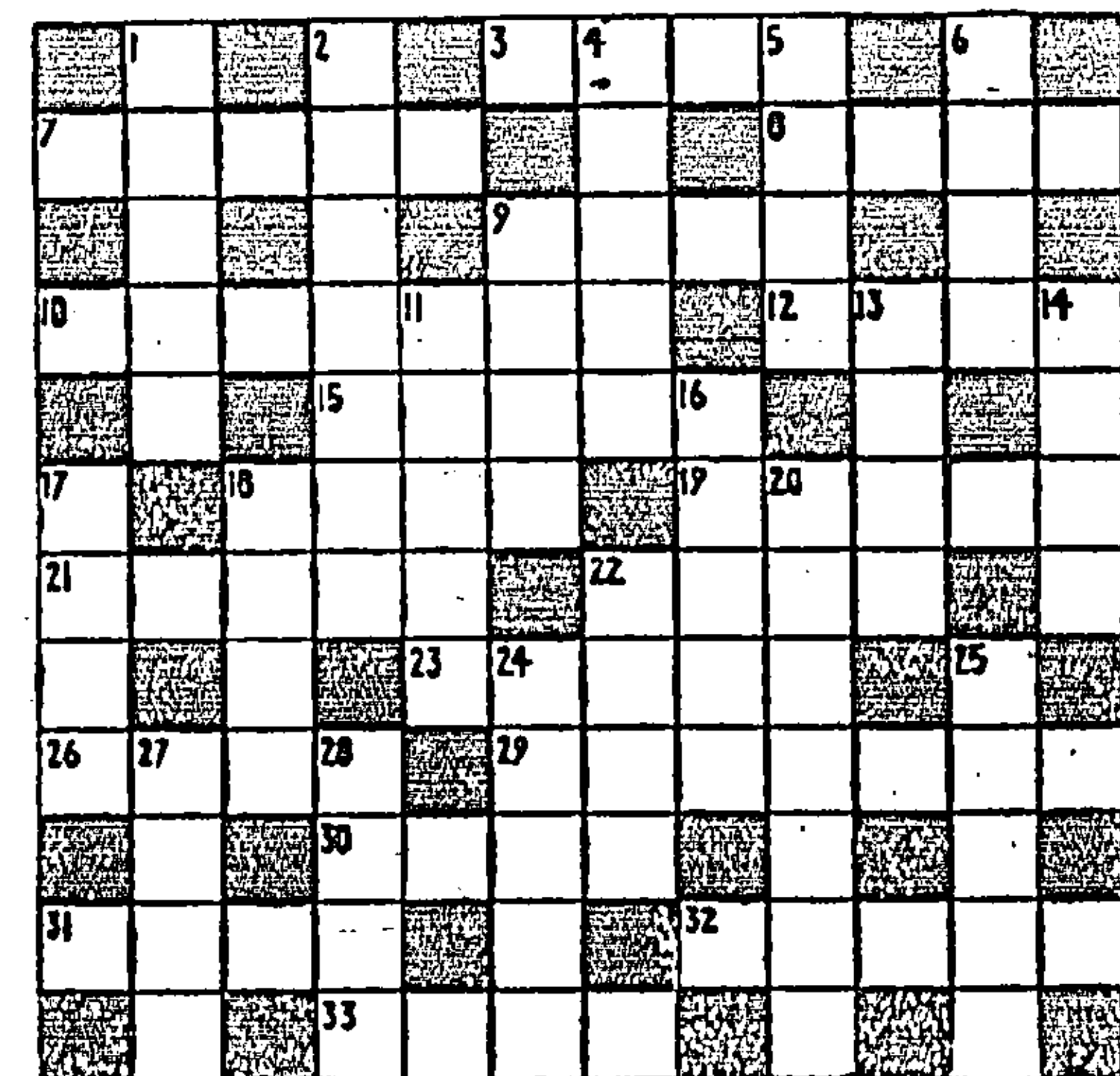
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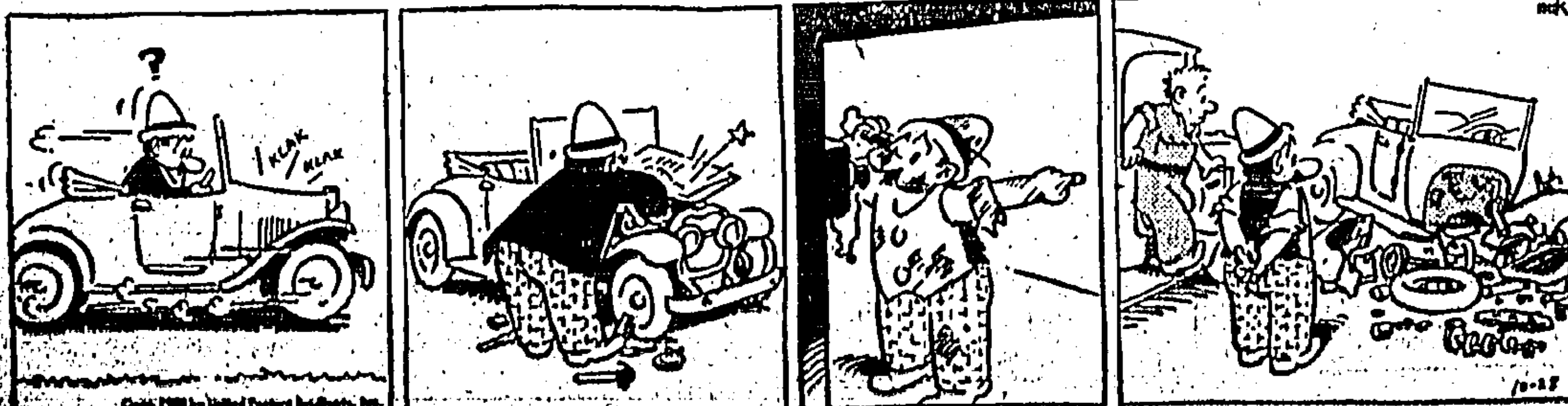
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- Drying-cloth.
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Lost His Bearings

By Mik



Asian Nations To Meet

Baguio, Feb. 1. A spokesman for the Indonesian President, Dr. Soekarno, said the Government of the Indonesian Republic would call within this year a conference of all Asiatic nations which participated in the New Delhi meetings in 1940 and 1949, to discuss possible solutions of the Indo-China problem.

The spokesman said some unspecified countries were already invited, but the site of the conference had not yet been chosen. The spokesman said he would recommend Baguio.

Formosa To Come Up

Lake Success, Feb. 1. The United Nations Political Committee, the only Assembly group that did not complete its work before Christmas, was summoned to meet on Friday afternoon to take up three agenda items that were side-tracked while the problem of Chinese intervention in Korea was being thrashed out. They include:

1. Russia's charge of U.S. aggression against China.
2. The future status of Formosa—an item introduced last autumn by the United States.
3. The Russian-sponsored Chinese Communist complaint against the bombing of Manchuria by American planes.

Urgent Appeal

Pusan, Feb. 1. An urgent appeal for more funds and relief goods for increasing hordes of Korean war refugees was made today by the United Nations Commission for Unification and Rehabilitation of Korea.

It said the original \$250,000,000 relief estimate for the next 12 months would prove far too small because of Allied military reverses that again brought Communist armies surging into South Korea.

12,000-Mile Hitchhike To Join Up In Korea

Western front in Korea, Feb. 1. A 26-year-old American civilian today walked into a muddy frontline command post of a famous American regiment on the Korean western front after a 12,000-mile road, rail and air journey from New York to "clear my name of the taint of Communism."

Officers of the 27th Regimental Combat Team of the 25th Division were flabbergasted when he strolled into their command post and asked: "Which of you is the Commanding Officer?"

He was William Jesse Newton, of Los Angeles.

Newton recalled the sensational case of August last year when he landed his small seaplane alongside the Polish liner Batory 80 miles off Long Island, New York, was picked up, taken to England, and arrested by agents of the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation on his arrival at Southampton.

"Though the United States Government's case against me was never continued, everybody said I was a Communist," he declared.

"So when I was released from custody in New York last December I decided to kill a few Communists fast to prove to people how much I like them."

Newton, a slightly built, wiry young man, arrived at the command post clad only in a G.I. shirt and trousers which he said he had begged off an American soldier in Japan.

His only luggage was a towel and shaving gear.

Newton said that he, at New York in December, and hitchhiked his way across the United States to San Francisco, where he signed as a quartermaster on a Navy transport.

JUMPED SHIP

He said he "jumped" the ship at Yokohama. "I left all my clothes on board so that they would think that I had missed the ship rather than deserted," he said.

Left-Wing Labourite Revolt In Commons Over China Policy

London, Feb. 1.

A number of Left-wing Labour members staged a minor revolt in the House of Commons today against Government policy on Communist China.

After a statement by the Prime Minister, Mr Clement Attlee, they rose in succession to criticise Britain's support of the United States resolution at the United Nations branding China as an aggressor.

They cried, "Answer, answer" when Mr Attlee showed some reluctance to reaffirm that Britain still wanted to encourage the admission of Chinese Communists to the Security Council.

After hesitating, the Prime Minister replied, "Our position has been made perfectly plain. Perhaps it is not very helpful to have further questions on this rather delicate matter."

This evasion set some political observers wondering if any switch in British policy was imminent. But a Foreign Office spokesman told Reuters later that there had been no change. The British Government should represent China at Lake Success.

Mr Attlee had told the House that the amended United States resolution on Korea before the United Nations General Assembly offered the best hope in the existing circumstances of obtaining a negotiated settlement with China.

CHURCHILL SPEECH

Mr Winston Churchill, leader of the Conservatives, said that it was difficult to follow in detail the statement the Prime Minister had made without possessing the document referred to.

"I presume we are right in assuming that the British representatives will vote with the United States on the resolution declaring China to be an aggressor in North Korea and that thus agreement will be maintained," he said after a great deal of discussion with the United States on these important issues.

"If that is so, we are very glad indeed. We are particularly relieved to feel that no breach between Britain and the United States, even though concerned with a jungle of words, could occur at such a grave juncture in our joint fortunes."

Replying to Mr Churchill, Mr Attlee said, "We have already voted in the Political Committee of the United Nations. The vote will now come up in plenary session. If Mr Churchill has read the very admirable speech made by Sir Gladwyn (British U. N. representative) he will see very clearly the meaning of this resolution."

LABOUR CRITICS

Mr Attlee did not answer when a Left-wing member of the Labour Party, Mr Ian Mikardo, declared that the passage of the resolution at this time must make the task of the Good Offices Committee more difficult than it would otherwise be.

"Surely, on these grounds, it was unwise to pass this resolution at this moment and unwise for our Government to have supported it," Mr Mikardo said.

Mr James Hudson (Labour) regretted that the Government had found it necessary to support this resolution.

He asked whether the Government would persist in its efforts to get an immediate cease-fire.

Mr Attlee replied, "If Mr Hudson will read the statement I have made he will see that every endeavour is to be made by the Good Offices Committee to get a cessation of hostilities."

Mr Fenner Brockway (Labour left-winger) asked if the Prime

Minister was aware that there was considerable uneasiness at the British Government's support for even a modified form of the resolution.

At this there were Conservative cries of "Moscow".

Mr Brockway went on to ask for an assurance that the British representatives would still act with Commonwealth representatives at the United Nations and particularly with the representatives of India.

Mr Attlee replied, "We have throughout all these matters kept in close touch with India and with all our fellows in the Commonwealth and we shall continue to do so."

Mr Sidney Silverman, another Labour left-winger, asked the Prime Minister to bear in mind that most Britons regarded Britain's vote condemning China as an aggressor without approval.

At this there were Conservative cries of "Nonsense".

Mr Silverman continued that in the opinion of a very great number of people the Chinese had done nothing which Britain, in the same circumstances would not have done.

The real obstacle to a cessation of hostilities did not lie with the Chinese but elsewhere.

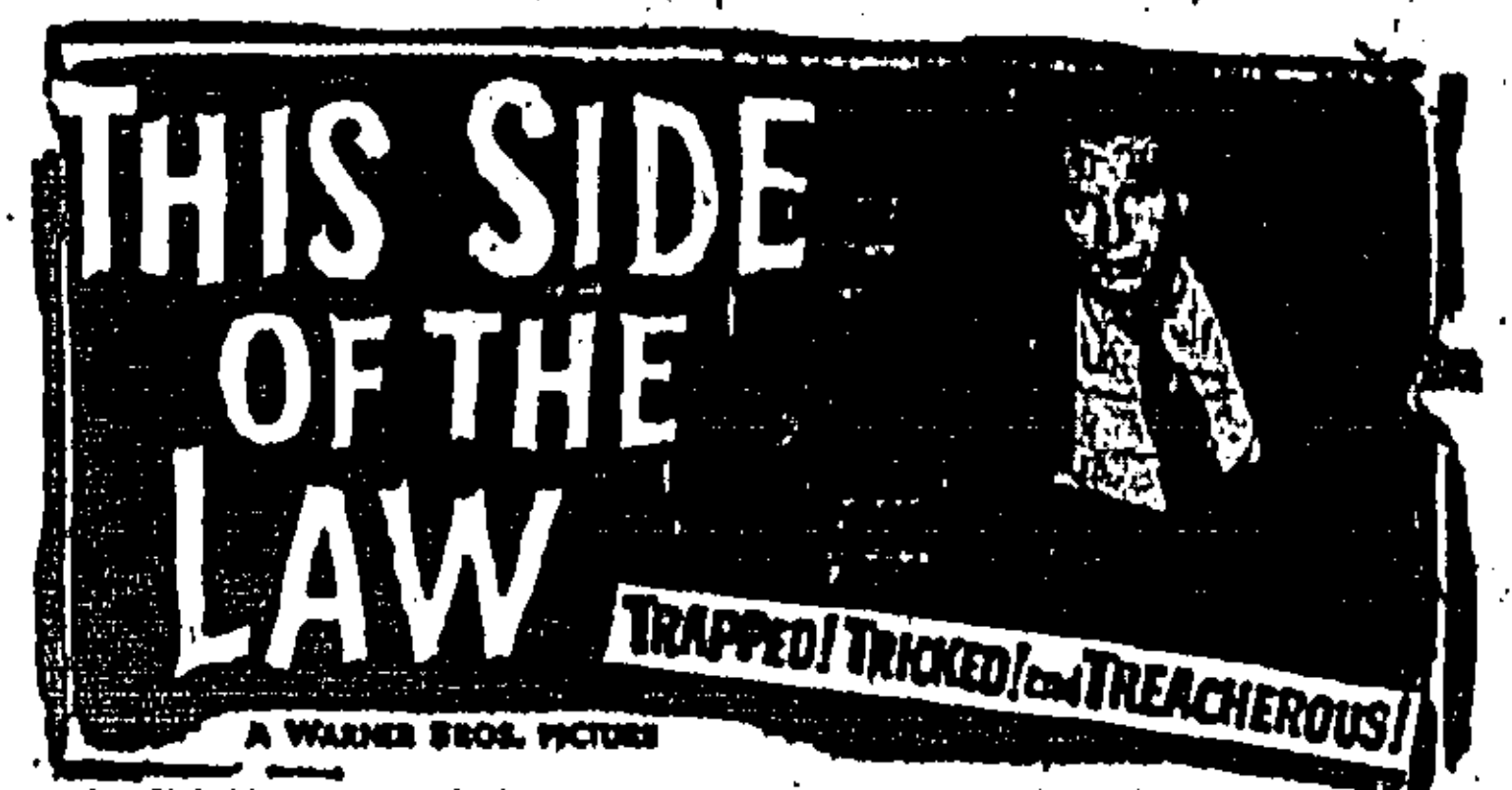
ATTLEE REPORT

Mr Attlee replied, "If that is correct—and I do not know the source of the information about the very large numbers—I regret that there should be a large number of people unacquainted with the basis of the principles of the United Nations which we are obliged to support."

Mr George Thomas (Labour) asked the Prime Minister if efforts would be made to get Asian countries associated with the Good Offices Committee in seeking a way out.

Mr Attlee answered that he had always thought that Persia was an Asian country. A representative of Persia was President of the Committee, he said.—Reuters.

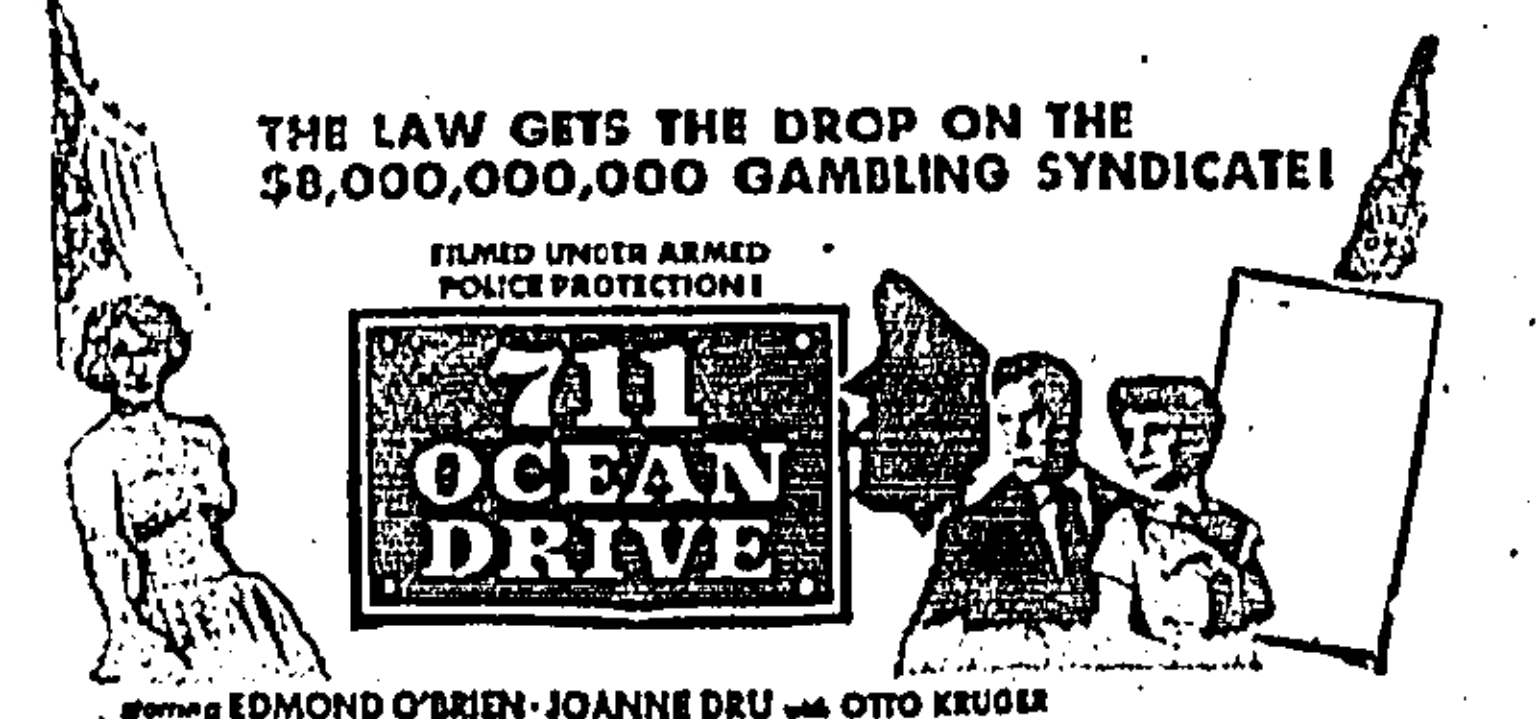
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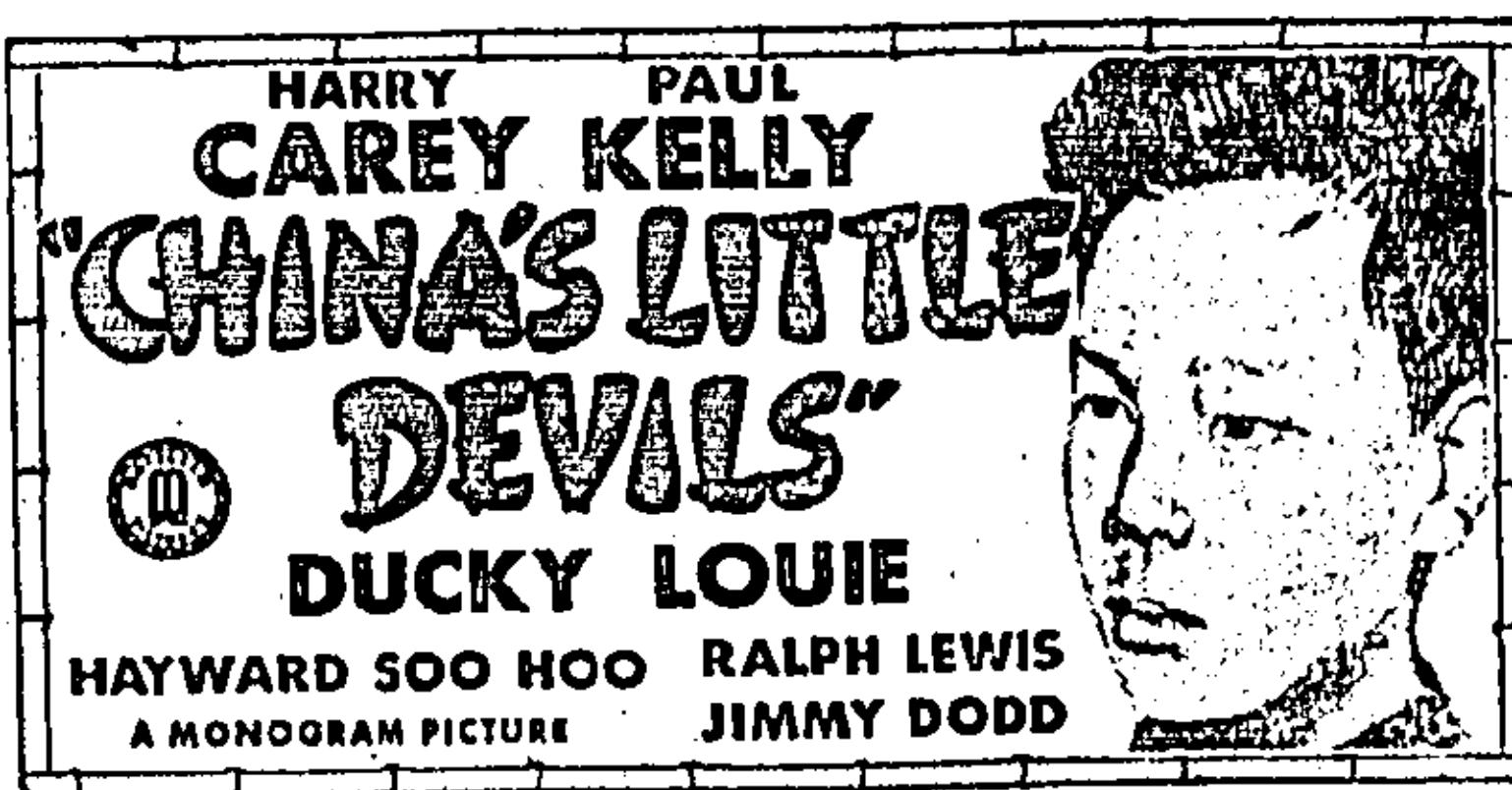
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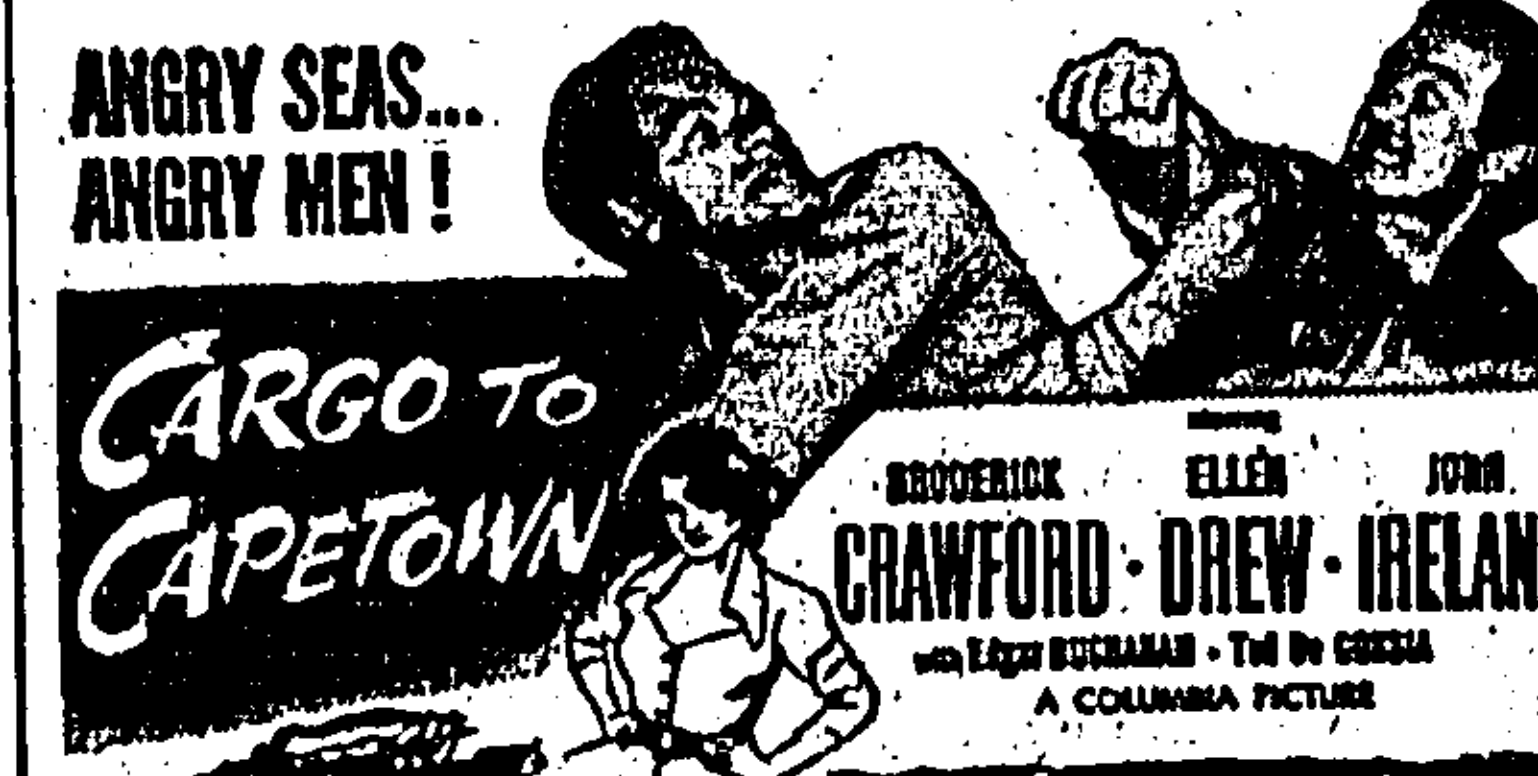
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William Hamsher

BERLIN. TWO British soldiers back from 31 days as prisoners of the Russians, told how they were kidnapped by a Red Army agent in the British sector of Berlin and how they kept saying "No" to questions about the British Army.

Neither threats nor offers of fat jobs made by the Russians persuaded either man to accept the Russian proposal. "Stay with us until we take over England, within five years, and then you can return as Lord Mayors."

The soldiers then went into detail about the Russians' cajoleries and threats to make them stay behind the Curtain.

Wilton: "They said if we went back to the British we'd get eight to ten years' cells, and maybe the death sentence."

Hardisty: "They offered us money to stay with them. Russian money."

Wilton: "They brought an English soldier to us. He talked to us about the wonderful opportunities we should have if we did as he did and stayed in the East German Republic. He said we could get 1,000 roubles a week for working."

Hardisty: "Yes he told us we could go out drinking every night. They offered to fly us to Moscow or the Caucasus—anywhere we liked—for work."

Wilton: "There was a pretty Russian woman who spoke good English. She kept bringing Russian officers up to our room to have a look at us in our kilts, and they carried on trying to convince us it would be better to stay, right up to the night we left."

Private Hardisty cut in: We couldn't try any rough stuff with their tommy guns pointing at us.

"We were not tight, mind you. I got mad when the German laughed at us as we went out and said 'Goodnight.' I got my jacket torn in a bit of a struggle."

Hardisty added: "When we saw we were not going to get away from the Russians I felt thirsty. The Russians offered us a drink—later. It was four days later."

After midnight that night they were allowed to go to bed. Guards stood at the foot of their beds all night. Next day came the first interrogation.

"It took four hours and was non-stop," said Wilton. "But when they got us to Potsdam it was interrogations from seven to 14 hours a day; that happened on 25 of the 31 days we were

held. We answered all their questions by saying we were private soldiers and knew nothing."

I asked Wilton how often did he have to say that.

"I could have sung myself to sleep with that answer," he said. "I said it so often."

"At the interrogations they asked me 'What is your outlook on life?' 'Is your father a capitalist?' 'What are your views on Korea?' 'What do you think of American foreign policy?'"

"I told them I was just not interested. When they asked me whether I believed in outlawing the atomic bomb, I told them 'Yes and no.'"

"They said: 'You are a diplomat. You are the same as Binov, you don't like answering questions.'"

Wilton: "The funny thing is that before we got picked up I was engaged to a girl up in Leeds. First thing I heard when I came out was that she was married on the 13th of the month—to another man."

After that the two were given a final questioning, then put in a car and brought back to the British sector.

—(London Express Service)

"Later, it was what did I think of having Americans stationed in Britain. I said it was a good thing."

"What do you mean?" they said. "The Americans are taking your English girls." I told them, "You must have been reading fantastic stories."

"They said: 'Your girl might be going out with an American now.'"

Hardisty stood up: "I told them they didn't know what a decent girl was."

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THE HOPE OF PEACE

By David Temple Roberts

London, Jan. 28. THERE is a strong consensus of opinion that the defence of Western Europe must be put in hand. But that general war in Asia is still avoidable. The Chinese Communists do not seem very aggressive—the British newspaper reader is judging.

He notices that since Peking issued its radio warning to General MacArthur not to cross the 38th Parallel in Korea on pain of Chinese intervention, since that moment, the Chinese Government has given several fleeing opportunities for negotiation and steadily lowered the strident tone of its original demands.

The present Chinese proposition for a Conference on the crisis in Asia is just about the heart's desire of most British readers.

What the Chinese want is a place at the United Nations—where opinion here agrees should be an asset not a disaster to the United Nations.

They also want the withdrawal of the United States Fleet from the waters separating Formosa from the Chinese mainland. It must be admitted at once that British opinion cares little, one way or another, about the fate of Formosa and General Chiang Kai-shek's remaining outpost on the island.

Hongkong matters; Formosa does not. But for the United States Formosa is a possible strategic defensive point, the only available jumping off point for landings in China—and, more important, a powerful moral obligation.

It is on the island of Formosa that Britain and America part company—when it comes to bargaining with the Peking Government.

But there is a vast gulf between the climate of opinion in Britain and America, that is much more important than this one island, the transfer of which will probably be the hardest point in negotiations that most diplomats expect will soon begin.

The divergence between the attitudes of Britain and America is expressing itself universally. Newspapers analyse the greater patience and wisdom of the British approach. They speak, as the Manchester Guardian does, of the dangers of American simplification which lead to mistakes in a complex world. In some quarters, particularly in leftist reviews, the natural tendency to "anti-Americanism" is running away with itself. The New Statesman carries several articles of this tone—one on how the U.S. organises its South American satellites at U.N., another on "MacArthurism in Europe," a third attacking U.S. policy in Germany. But this is not quite representative!

The American case, put by one correspondent from New York as "intensely angry" with China, is just not felt here. The Americans are regarded as slightly ridiculous for having exchanged the "villain Tojo" for the "murderous Mao" as their principal villain.

But there is another important current flowing on, both sides of the Atlantic. Neither country wants to get out of step with the other. So every time there are differences both sides rush to modify their policies. So it has been this week. On Wednesday our newspapers here—even the staid Times—were sharply critical of the speech of Mr. Warren Austin. On Thursday British opinion appreciated the dangers into which it was running. The newspapers started presenting the American viewpoint—half in sympathy, and with an effort at understanding. On Friday came news of President Truman's cautious attitude at his press conference—which indicated America's anxiety not to go on without allies.

For what this amazing document reveals is that only 90 people in the whole of France admitted to profits of over £2,000 a year. Among France's rich peasants and shopkeepers only 270,000 declared profits of more than £200 a year, while 250,000 claimed to be making no profits at all.

Exactly the same claim is made by 30,000 companies, which presumably continue in business only because of their deep sense of public duty. Poor France! Poor Rue de la Paix! And that poor man at my local bistro, who always questions me about the international situation—and always, in relation to the price of gold.

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Make mine a big, big fine, —Max Intrator

Paris newsletter by SAM WHITE

I SHARED a taxi with Max Intrator the other day. He pointed to Paris's Scotland Yard and said feelingly: "That's where my career began."

He meant, of course, his fabulous headline career in the British Press which has firmly established him as one of the most interesting financiers of the postwar era.

What is he really like, this man, whose very name sounds like one taken from a Victorian melodrama? The answer is: a self-offacing little man with exquisite manners and an attractive sense of humour.

He speaks English perfectly, and is married to an Englishwoman, who brings a disconcerting air of Kensingtonian gentility to his domestic surroundings.

Afternoon tea with the Intrators is as solemn a ritual as tea at the vicarage. Among friends his wife's pet name for him is "Blackie."

No Alternative

I TALKED to Intrator after his trial in Paris and asked him what he thought the court's verdict would be.

"I hope for a fine and as big a fine as possible," he said.

"Why? Because if the fine is really big then I won't be able to pay it, and I shall have no alternative but to appeal against the verdict."

"As it has taken the French courts four years to hear the original charges against me, it will no doubt take them six years to hear the appeal. And if the appeal goes against me, I shall appeal again to a higher court and this time

it should take them 10 years to hear the case.

"I live in terror of a small fine. In that case I shall have to pay it."

GUILTY 'annoyed'

SACHA GUILTY has been consulting his lawyers, to see if he can stop fourth wife Genevieve from using his surname. Guilty is now married for the fifth time—to actress Lana Marconi. He is reported to be "very annoyed."

Genevieve claims to have a letter from Guilty promising that after their divorce she would be allowed to continue using the name of Guilty on the stage.

Neutralists

OVER a friendly drink the head of one of France's chief anti-espionage agencies gave me a friendly warning. "You see a great deal of so-and-so (mentioning a highly esteemed French Centre Party politician). We are watching him closely. He is one of our most dangerous neutralists."

No one who has glanced at the Paris Press over the past month could fail to know what he was talking about.

What is a neutralist? Roughly, someone whose widely held sentiment is to be occupied nor liberated—is father to the thought. Cannot we avoid all this merely by proclaiming our neutrality in the event of war?

Neutrality in France is a movement restricted to a handful of intellectuals. Why, then, all the fuss? Why all the solemn denunciations?

It seems like a case of protesting too much—partly to make amends for the neutralist sentiments expressed in the past by several French Ministers, and partly to impress Washington with France's rearmament zeal.

No rich men

AND now from this relatively trivial puzzle to a really monumental mystery—where are the rich men of France? Question is provoked by a recent study of nation-wide income tax returns issued by the French Ministry of Finance.

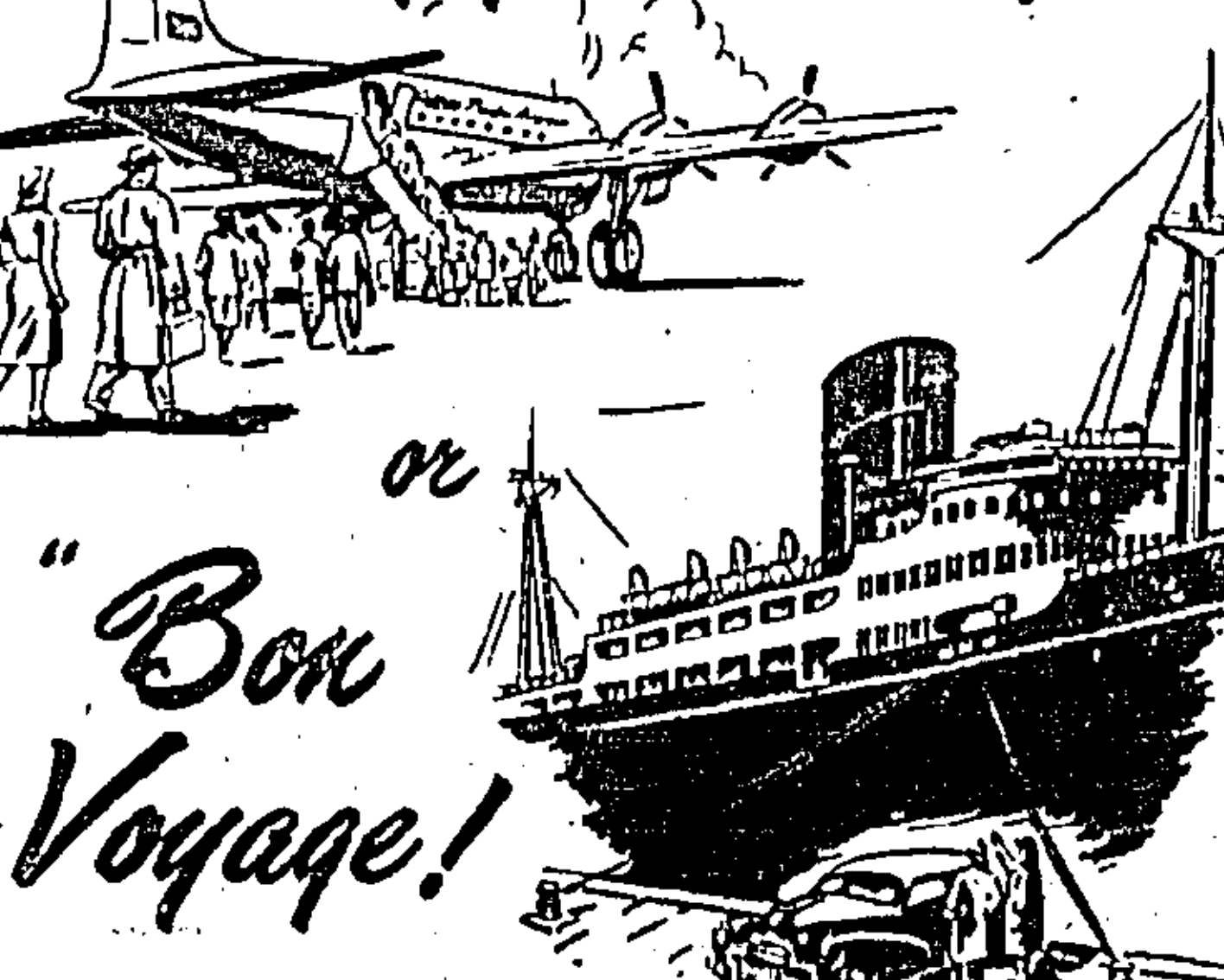
These returns, if they are to be believed, reveal a touching picture of a desolate land in which hundreds of thousands of businessmen are trying desperately to make ends meet, of shuttered shops and languishing luxury trades, of restaurateurs and night-club proprietors playing host to deserted tables.

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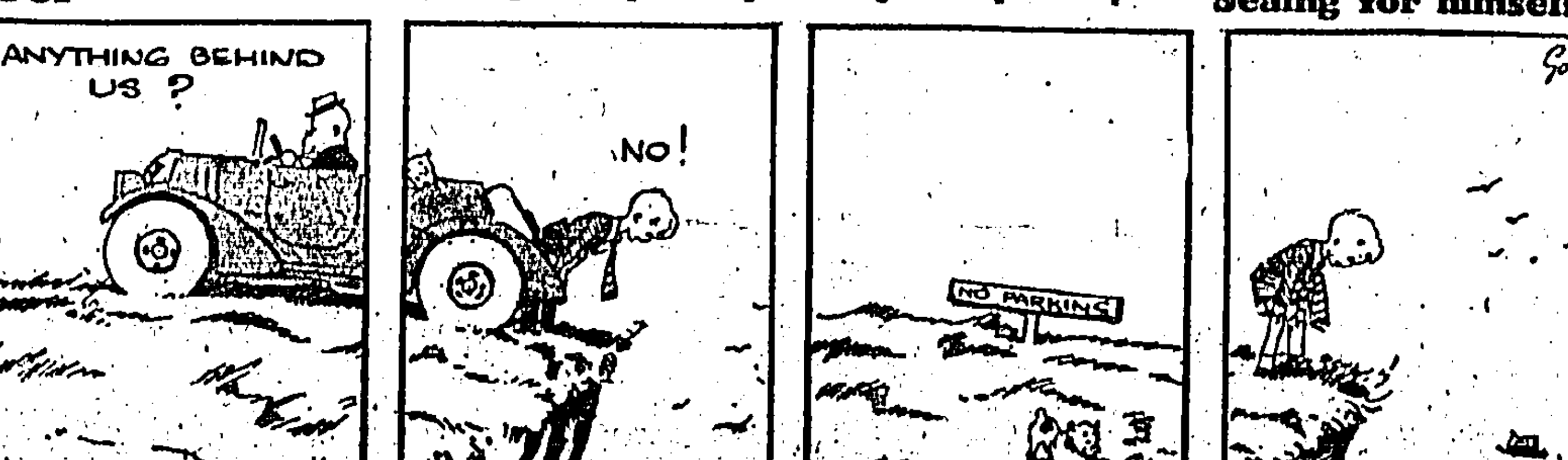
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BLIND VOYAGE

By Mildred Snow Gleason

It was as though the atmosphere in the cabin had suddenly become charged with electricity. For a full minute after Kelsey's extraordinary announcement, no one spoke.

Then, Denis said softly, "So you know who the murderer is?"

"Not! Not! I don't know that!" the maid protested.

"Then how do you know he gave Parrin orders to arrange the meeting?" Denis shot at her.

"Parrin told me so."

"And just why should Parrin tell you?" Denis stepped close to the maid, his manner threatening.

"Come on, now, Kelsey—tell us the truth! You held out on us before, but this time, by heaven, you're going to tell all you know!"

Kelsey cringed before him, then suddenly sank into a chair and burst into tears.

"That's what I've come to do!" she blubbered. "I—I'm scared, and I've got to tell you!"

"All right, then—do it! And be quick about it!" Denis said impatiently.

Charles laid her hand on his arm. "Wait a minute, Denis—don't bully her. She's said she's ready to talk. Give her time."

Kelsey dried her eyes and started to speak, then checked herself and threw a suspicious glance at Cecil Stoddard.

"Do you want me to—talk in front of him?"

"Yes—go on."

Kelsey took a deep breath, then plunged into her story.

"I—I did lie to you before, Mr. Graham. I'm in on the plot behind this cruise. Marie Gargan was, too. But, oh, I wish now we'd never had anything to do with it; Marie's murdered, and . . . and I'll be murdered, too . . . all of us will be murdered . . . if you don't do something to stop that fiend!"

"I thought you said you didn't know who he was."

"I don't—I got all my orders from Parrin. He's the only one who knows who the boss is—and he won't tell!" Kelsey glanced at Teddy. "He was the person who stopped me when I tried to deliver Marie's message to Miss Raynor the first night."

"Suppose you start at the beginning, Kelsey," Charles suggested.

The maid hesitated. "Well, to begin with," she mumbled, "Mr. Graham was right about Marie and me—I mean about our having a little racket and stealing money from Mr. Raynor when we were members of the Golden Gull society. That's how we first connected with Parrin. He was a member, too, and he somehow found out about us, and got wise to our little game."

"He came to us and said he'd let us in on something bigger in return for any information we could get for him. He said he and this other man, his boss, had cooked up a scheme that would mean big money, and they thought we could be useful to them. It sounded good to us, so we said okay."

"Then, right after that, the society was disbanded, and then Mr. Raynor died, and all that must have upset their plans. Anyway, we didn't hear anything more from Parrin—he just disappeared."

"But, about four months ago, he turned up again and said they were going ahead with their scheme, but they had to get certain important information first—a secret that they thought Mr. Raynor had confided to some one before he died. He told us about this cruise that was going to be arranged to get together all the people that might know the secret. Then, later, he got Marie the job of stewardess, and told me to apply for the job of maid to Mrs. Stoddard. He had contacted the maid Mrs. Stoddard already had, and had paid her to quit."

"Well, I'm blowed!" murmured Cecil.

"And just what do I expect you and Marie to do for him?" asked Denis. "Why did he let you in on the scheme, and bring you on the cruise?"

"Parrin stole them long ago. He also stole a secret list of the Golden Gull members that Mr. Raynor had. That's how they knew who they wanted on this cruise. They advertised it, just to make it look bonafide, but they sent special letters only to the people they wanted, and they kept after them until they got them to sign up. They turned down everyone else."

"Why have you told us all this?" Hugo asked suddenly.

"What's happened to frighten you?"

Kelsey shuddered. "I know now that, once, the key to the code is found, they'll have no more mercy on me than on the rest of you! I'll no longer be useful to them. We're all going to be destroyed! They won't dare let us live to denounce them!"

"Do you mean to say they're planning to kill every one on this boat?" gasped Denis. "Why, that's fantastic!"

"It isn't! You don't know! They won't stop at anything!"

"Nonsense! We're too many for them!" scoffed Denis. He glanced at his watch. "Come on, all of you—it's time for that meeting. We'll at last have a showdown!"

Kelsey leaped up and planted herself before the door.

"You mustn't go!" she cried. "I tell you it's a trap! You'll be locked in before you know it!"

"It won't take the gang of us long to break out," Denis laughed.

"Before we can break out, Parrin and his boss will be off in the lifeboat that has the engine, and the ship will be in flames!" Kelsey said frantically.

"There'll be no escape—except by drowning. The other boats have been damaged!"

Denis stared at her. "Do you mean that the key to the code has been discovered?"

"It must have been!" Kelsey almost sobbed. "Otherwise, they wouldn't have called this meeting. That was to have been the last step before the getaway!"

"In that case, it won't do us any good to stay here!" said Denis. "We're safer up on deck!"

At that, Kelsey suddenly whipped a revolver from her pocket.

"Hands up—all of you! And don't move!"

As she spoke, she swiftly reached behind her, and unlocked the door. A second later, Parrin, fully armed, was at her elbow.

While Parrin kept everyone covered, Kelsey quickly searched the party, relieving Denis and Hugo of their revolvers, and dropping the weapons into Parrin's pocket.

Hugo, his face red with anger, was the first to speak.

"Of all the fools!" he muttered. "That's right!"

Kelsey laughed harshly. "I told you the truth this time—except for one little item. I neglected to tell you that I'm Roy Parrin's sister! Careless of me, wasn't it?"

"Shut up," said Parrin. "May I ask what you plan to do with us?" Cecil Stoddard murmured.

Teddy was surprised at the composure he was displaying.

"You'll know soon enough!" Parrin rasped.

As he spoke, a masked and cloaked figure appeared in the doorway behind him. For a moment everyone stared.

"Then, Denis bowed mockingly. 'So glad to make your acquaintance at last, Mr. X! So you've decided to hold your meeting here?'"

"There never was going to be a general meeting," came the answer, in a hoarse whisper. "I don't care for large numbers."

"I suppose, then, that you have neatly taken care of the rest of the passengers while Kelsey was so cleverly detaining us?"

"Yes—it's useless to hope for any help."

Teddy couldn't control a shiver. Hugo, standing beside her, threw her a glance, and looked as though he were about to lower one arm to put about her.

"Keep your hands up, Mr. Albright!" said the whisperer, flourishing his gun. "And I must ask you to step away from Miss Raynor!"

Hugo obeyed. "Let's get this over with!" he growled. "Who are you, and what do you want?"

"Don't be impatient, Mr. Albright. Surely you must know, by this time, what I want. Didn't I give you a hint when we met on the boat deck the other night, and haven't my admirable little decoy, Kelsey, explained further? Incidentally, let me congratulate you on your escape from the storeroom."

Hugo's only answer was a grunt.

"Are you ready, now, to give me the key to that code?" the whisperer pursued. "Or are you still going to be stubborn about it?"

"Ah!" exclaimed Hugo. "So you haven't got it yet, after all! Good! Well, you won't get it from me—I don't know it!"

The masked man sighed, and turned to the others.

"Then which of you does know it? Speak up!"

When no one answered, he became impatient.

"Don't be fools! I know that one of you five has that key! Er—uh—a little torture of the others has convinced me of that."

Teddy shut her eyes. What had happened to her aunt—and to the others.

"Pleasant devil, aren't you?" Cecil murmured. "But satisfy my curiosity on one point. Why this cruise? Couldn't you have got what you want on land, with less trouble?"

"Mr. Stoddard, use your head," the whisperer reproved. "Consider the risks. I would have run of being found out. This way, after I have obtained that key, it will be so simple to silence all of you with little danger of being suspected. The good ship Golden Gull will unfortunately catch fire. When Parrin and Kelsey and I are picked up in the one good lifeboat, we will be considered the sole lucky survivors of a dreadful tragedy."

Hugo swore beneath his breath. "I never thought I'd want to murder a man!"

"However," the masked fiend continued, "you have your choice of dying quickly and painlessly or in long drawn out agony. If the person who has

that key will speak out at once, I shall give you all a merciful death before firing the ship. But if I am forced to resort to further torture to get what I want, there will be no mercy afterwards! I shall lock you all up and leave you to your fate!"

He paused, and looked about the cabin.

"Well—I'm waiting."

But no one spoke.

"Very well—since you won't take my word for it, I shall have to prove to you that I am serious. Kelsey start tying their up."

The man drew several lengths of rope from the folds of his cloak, and tossed them to the maid. He and Parrin kept the group covered while Kelsey set to work.

She had finished tying the hands of Denis and Cecil, behind their backs, and was just starting on Hugo, when lightning struck the cabin.

TO BE CONCLUDED TOMORROW

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



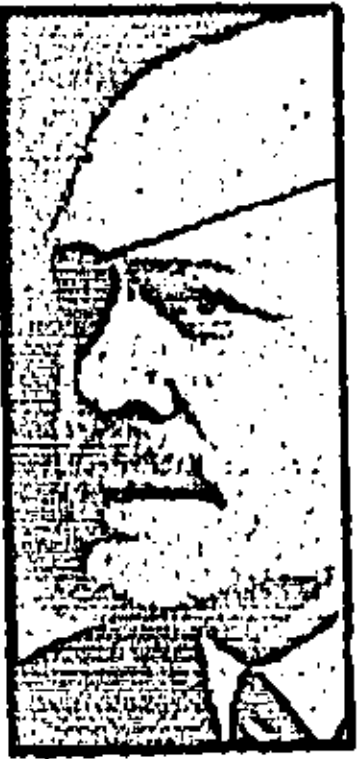
"Be firm with me today, Miss Jorgenson—I took two helpings of dessert at lunch!"

A GENERAL SPEAKS

Z-MEN

I say the Government's conscription policy since 1945 has failed . . . We need Z-men to pull us out

by Lieut-Gen. Sir GIFFARD-MARTEL



stand out against the mass conscription policy that was adopted? They were nearly all opposed to this.

Having missed this great opportunity what should we do today? There are those who say that as Russia now has large numbers of Stalin tanks we would no longer be able to raise havoc behind the enemy lines with our mobile armoured forces.

That is not true. The Russian army is still mainly horse drawn. So long as our forces are really mobile they will be able to evade these heavy tanks with ease and carry out their task.

The Western nations must therefore raise 20 first-class armoured divisions supported by a tactical air force. In addition we will need a number of infantry divisions from Europe for defensive purposes.

Our country must produce their share of these armoured divisions which will form the most vital component of the Western nations land forces.

For this purpose we must take a small proportion of the 4,000,000 men in Class Z reserve. These splendid men who fought so well in the war must go straight to units. That is where they are wanted. They will fit into their place almost at once. It is fighting formations and not a great training machine that we need today.

System Fails

Why are we not acting in this way? Why are we not making a full drive for munitions production?

Conscription is needed in wartime and the young men will all carry out their share in due course, but for the moment we must have a proportion of trained men.

Why has not the true state of affairs been explained to the people?"

Is it that the Government cannot bear the exposure of one more failure? For it is clear that the conscription system since 1945 has failed to produce the skilled men that Class Z can provide.

Never before has our Army been in a worse state for the task that lies ahead. No one will admit his mistakes.

There is still talk of using heavy tanks with our armoured forces. These are wanted for position warfare, but not for our mobile forces.

I am probably the only officer who has discussed, with the Russians, those mobile operations on their front which were carried out on a far greater scale than anything which happened on the Western front.

Three To One

REAL mobility is essential for this task, and that means really mobile tanks.

It is no use trying to meet the Russian threat in any other way. We cannot take them on with a man-power army for they will outnumber us by at least three to one.

On the other hand, if we raise these mobile forces I do not believe that the Russians will dare advance against us. (World Copyright Reserved—London Express Service.)

THE whole world is agast at the lack of decision and action by the Western nations of Europe at this time of great peril.

If this indecision is prolonged. Western civilisation may be lost for a long time and perhaps for ever.

Action is needed in many ways. One of the most important is the raising of the necessary land forces. But let me say straight away that it is all nonsense to talk of recalling the bulk, or even a very large proportion, of the Class Z reserves.

Between the two world wars many of us preached that the British should produce a highly trained army of limited size which should make full use of mobility and armour.

The proposal was that the French should produce the

German Copy

ALTHOUGH we worked out the whole idea we never made our Army into a striking force of this nature, but the Germans copied all our ideas and raised those magnificent Panzer forces which were the finest mobile forces that the world had ever seen.

With these forces Germany overran Poland in a fortnight, France in a month and nearly annihilated the Russian army in 1941.

If we had taken this good advice and raised a mobile armoured army we would probably have been able to counter the German Panzers and save France. The whole course of the war would have been changed.

Did we not see exactly the same position arising again after the Second World War?

The Russians had a great man-power army and were terrified of being attacked by mobile armoured forces of the panzer type which caused them such frightful casualties in 1941.

Towards the end of the war, when I was on their battlefield, a Russian general told me that it would be a long time before they could rid their minds of this terrible fear.

Again the advice was given that we should concentrate on raising these mobile forces with the U.S.A. and let France, with her larger man-power army, carry out most of the defensive role.

Conscript Waste

THIS advice could have been carried out quite easily. We had great numbers of cruiser tanks of the Cromwell and Sherman types which were just what we wanted for this role. But this time we did even worse than between the wars for we changed our well-trained army into a large man-power conscript affair.

For the money that we were spending we could easily have had the necessary regulars, which are essential as a basis for well-trained mobile forces.

At the Western nations had maintained 20 such divisions after the war instead of turning to a man-power army, we would soon have been able to talk to Russia from strength and many of our world-wide problems might already have been solved.

Why did we fail to follow this advice for a second time? Was it due to politics? If so, why did not our military leaders

NEWELL ROGERS' AMERICAN NEWSCOPE IT'S BEANS V. BILLOWS

NEW YORK. FIFTH AVENUE — American's two style centres—are in a fashion war.

The issue: Will the girl patriot of 1951 wear the string-bean silhouette, or moo-moo billows?

Hollywood is for billows, modelled on the loose four-sack dress of native women in the South Seas called moo-moo. They must billow at the bosom and feature patriotic red, white, and blue shades—when not purple.

Explains a Hollywood designer: "Women want to keep their men from war. But if they cannot, they want to please them while they're around. Our styles must suggest, not reveal."

No, no, retorts Fifth Avenue. Such garments make a girl look as though she's wearing a tent. The string-bean silhouette, relieved just by touches of drapery, scarves and collars, provides the patriotic woman with simplicity and clothes that will last.

Hollywood has the movie stars on its side. But perhaps Washington will decide the outcome.

The Government has put in a stand-by order for 800,000 trim, one-piece dresses, neither moo-moo nor string-bean, for the Navy's WAVES (U.S. equivalent of the Wrens).

ART: Grandma Moses, a farmer's wife who took up

painting at 78 and now gets \$1,000 a canvas, was asked how she starts her pictures. Her reply: "Well, first I buy a frame."

FOOD: President Truman wants to give India enough grain to save the lives of 10,000,000 starving people. Congress must vote \$75,000,000 for it. And because Congressmen are angered by Premier Nehru's opposition to America's "get tough with Red China" policy, they are not sure whether they will vote the grant.

DRINK: The health drive to get pub patrons to drink beer out of paper cups is in danger. There is a severe shortage of paper cups.

WEATHER: Pavement tables of cafes under gay umbrellas were crowded. Bathing girls tried For Rockaway beach's surf. Forsythia began to bud. The week-end temperature touched 62.9 degrees. Tonight's forecast: 16 degrees of frost.

SUCCESS BY SHAVE: Over 40 years ago Vincent Riggio was shaving tobacco magnate George Washington Hill. Hill invited barber Riggio to become his tobacco salesman.

In 1940 Riggio succeeded Hill as chairman of one of America's largest cigarette firms. He had an income of \$100,000 last year. He has just retired from the chairmanship.

PUBLISHERS brought out 30 books for every day of 1950. Yet bookshops are worried about

the effect of TV on reading habits. One displays a container with a slot for coins on top and the words "Help stamp out TV."

AUSTERITY motor-cars are to lose 71 chromium parts. And an Ohio judge has granted the first motor-car divorce to a 16-year-old bride who had to live behind the chromium of her bridegroom's car and nowhere else for four months until she went home to mother.

HENRY KAISER, who built a ship a week for the Allies in World War II, has gone into the aircraft-building business. His factories are to make parts for an anti-submarine patrol bomber.

NINETEEN curtain calls greeted soprano Kirsten Flagstad's return to the Metropolitan Opera for the first time in ten years. Police guarded the doors and watched for packages. But the determined anti-Nazi Broadway groups have often tried to embarrass the Norwegian singer kept the peace.

SHOW BUSINESS: "The Red Shoes" has risen into the select list of 27 pictures to have earned over 5,000,000 dollars (\$21,765,000) last leaders are "Birth of a Nation" and "Gone with the Wind." . . . Peter Pan's rule that people do not grow old fails to hold for the Broadway cast, which has played over 300 performances. Two boy actors had to be sacked because their voices broke.

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She Stole The Glamour



By ALICE ALDEN

The lure of lace is eternal, so it was only to be expected that with the vogue for stoles, some bright mind would think up a beautiful lace stole. Glentex has done just that and here it is, a romantic, feminine affair of fragile lace that may be worn as a Spanish mandilla in the grand tradition, or draped dramatically around bare shoulders. Edged in narrow velvet, this Paris-inspired one is three yards long and almost a yard wide. It can double as an evening wrap on tropic nights.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

Shadows Visit Mr. Merlin

—And They See His Famous Menagerie—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were telling their friend Mr. Punch about the animals they had just seen at the Zoo. "There were lions and elephants and zebras," said Hanid.

"And buffaloes and antelopes and lizards and ostriches and—" Knarf was continuing when Mr. Punch held up his hand. "My dears," he said, "those are just the usual kind of animals."

"Why, what other kind of animals are there?" Knarf said in surprise.

"The unusual kind, of course!" replied Mr. Punch. "The fabulous kind."

Neither Knarf nor Hanid knew exactly what Mr. Punch meant by the fabulous kind. "Well, they're the kind of animals that you read about but seldom see. Mr. Merlin the Magician has quite a few of them in his own private menagerie. Would you like to see them?"

Knarf and Hanid both shouted at once that they most assuredly would. "Very well, then," said Mr. Punch, getting up from his chair and moving toward the bookcase on the opposite side of the room, "just come with me."

A Little Door

Reaching the bookcase, Mr. Punch squeezed in behind it, with Knarf and Hanid doing the same right after him. Then Mr. Punch found a little door, rang a little bell, and a second or two later Mr. Merlin the Magician was asking them inside of his Magic House. "Menagerie?" he said. "Fabulous animals? Certainly! Take the elevator down to the Third Floor. Step inside, please!"

While he was talking he had pressed a button in the wall and an elevator slid open. A little old man in a red uniform—"He looks exactly like a monkey!" Hanid said immediately to herself—seemed to be running the elevator. At any rate, Knarf and Hanid and Mr. Punch all stepped inside. Then the door was shut again, and down they went. When they reached the Third Floor, the elevator man said out: "Fabulous Animals Dec. 4. Turn to your right!" Then they all walked out.

What a strange menagerie it was! Knarf and Hanid could hardly believe their eyes. There were numbers of large cages with thick iron bars, just like at a Zoo. Only all the doors to the cages were open and the animals kept sticking their heads out and looking at Knarf and Hanid and Mr. Punch in the most puzzled way.

Rupert's Autumn Primrose—40

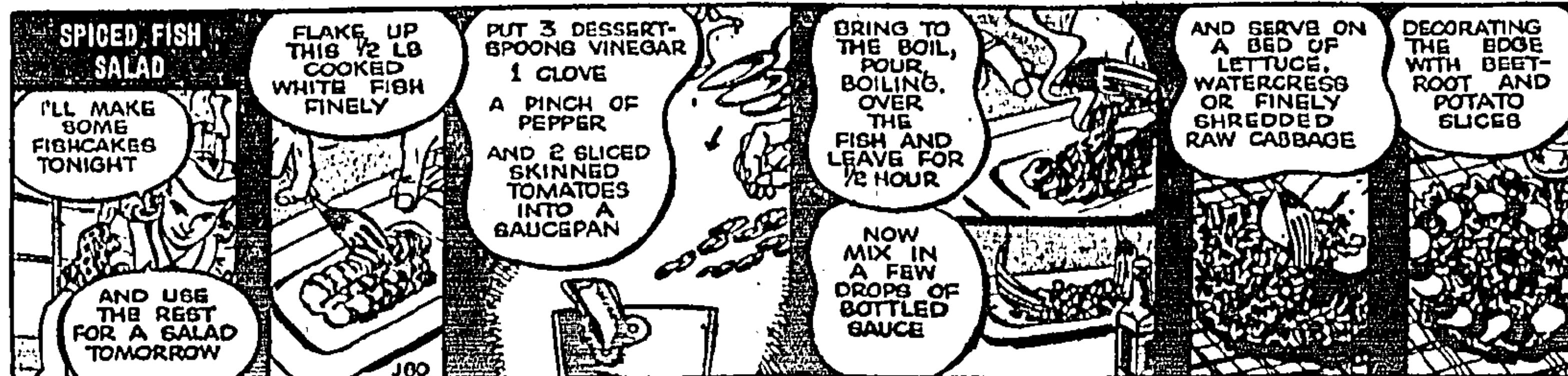


Mary runs to the house and fetches a nice little basket. "Things have been so exciting that I almost forgot what you really came here for," she laughs. "Now that the garden has been put right I hope that I shall be coming and tell him the whole of your doing, so you all might be happy."



may keep this basket as a reward, and you shall have every one of the pictures. The plans will be better without them. When the basket is filled right to the top her grandfather joins them, and together they go to a secret doorway to bid farewell to Rupert and tell him the whole of your doing, so you all might be happy."

WOMANSENSE



Attractive Full-lengths

There is no use denying it—the topper is a very important spring coat. But be that as it may, when a full-length coat is noted, chances are that it is of the handsomely handled, fitted variety, unless, of course it is an out-and-out sports or casual coat. This fitted coat below is of imported soft wooltweed in a beige mixture. It has tuckings through the waist which is minimised still further by the huge patch pockets. A casual notched collar is above the single-breasted closing. The flared skirt has an inverted pleat in the centre.



Full length top coat.



Beige tweed topper.

Nubby tweed dressed up with black velvet, adds up a good coat. The coat above is full-length and has pockets out in one with the yokes at shoulders and hips, thus taking care of the season's important pocket interest. The turned back cuffs are lined with velvet as is the standing collar which also can be worn flat. Black velvet buttons form the double breasted closing. The back is loose and swinging.

Piano Care

The piano should be treated to a beauty bath to be ready for the happy time when family and friends gather around to sing. A friend who owns a grand goes at the job by first assembling two basins of lukewarm water, a good mild soap and three very large pieces of clean, but not new, cheesecloth.

With soapy cloth wrung almost dry, she washes a small area of the case. Next, the second cloth is wrung nearly dry in clean water and the suds wiped off. Then the operation is repeated. Next, the treated area is rubbed with the third cloth. When the whole case has been cleaned, it gets a going over with furniture polish or wax. To complete the job, the keys get a going-over with an almost dry, soapy cloth (take care that not a drop of moisture penetrates between the keys). The keys are then wiped and polished with a dry cloth.

Speeding Up The Growth Of Premature Babies

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

THE premature infant enters the world with two strikes against him. Weak, tiny and under-developed, his chance for life depends on the care he is given. At a minimum, he needs experienced nursing, breast milk, protection against infection, and constant warmth.

Even with all this, his hold on life is precarious and will continue so until he gains a

certain amount of strength and weight. For this reason, many attempts have been made to speed the growth of such babies. Several methods for accomplishing this have been tried. One is the use of methyl testosterone, a gland extract, and it has been reported that its use may be of value in decreasing the expected death rate in these babies and in shortening the period of hospitalization. Another method is the giving of the fluid part of the blood, or plasma, by mouth as a supplemental feeding.

LOST LESS WEIGHT

It was noted that infants given the plasma lost less weight, vomited less, and suffered less from irritation of the stomach. In an effort to determine whether or not the combination of the two methods might not accomplish even more, a study was made of 34 premature infants. One group of babies was given the usual care, together with an injection of liver extract into a muscle every other day. The second group was given the methyl testosterone by mouth, and was also given the blood plasma by mouth. The plasma was given in the bottle feedings.

It was noted that the infants given the usual care and liver extract gained about one-fourth of an ounce a day. They remained in the hospital for an average of 58 days. The babies

who received the testosterone and plasma gained an average of three-fourths of an ounce per day and remained in the hospital for an average of only about 25 days. They were back to birth weight in an average of two days. These were kept on the testosterone and plasma until they weighed about five and one-half pounds. At that time, they were discharged from the hospital. No ill effects from the treatment were noted.

BETTER RESULTS

During recent years we have made enormous strides in the care of premature babies, as a result of which thousands of little lives are saved each year. With this new method, an even greater number can perhaps be saved. At any rate, it holds out promise of bringing them out of the critical period much more quickly and, for this reason alone, merits further study.

HAND WOVEN LOOK



This two-piece suit consists of a boxy jacket that can be worn belted. It is in soft tweed with hand woven look in coral, green, blue and navy on a white background.

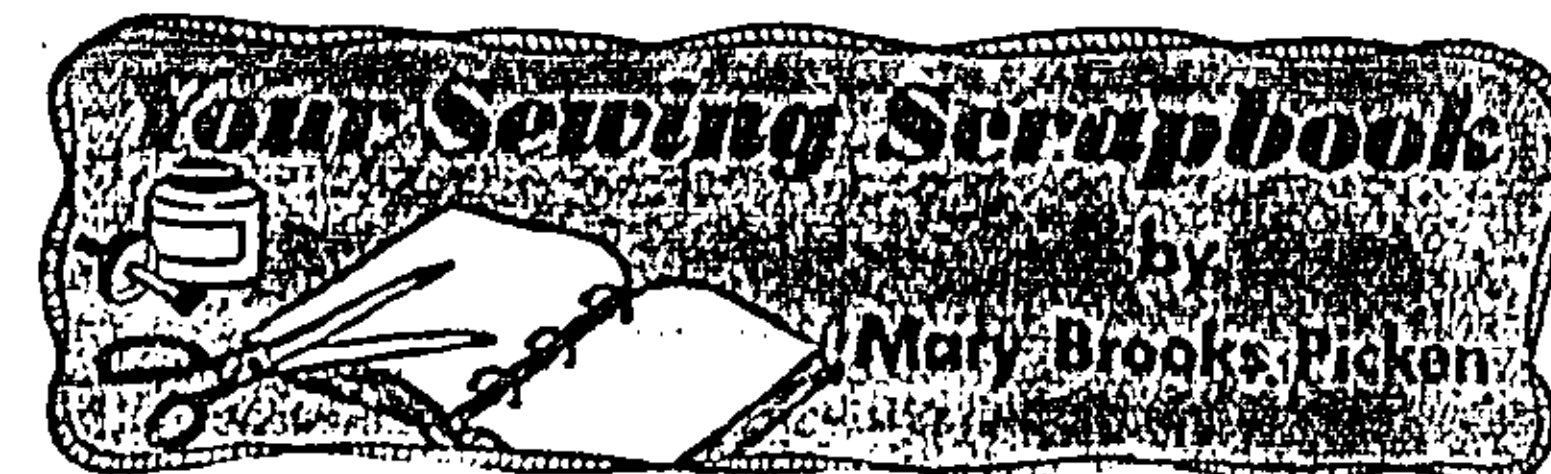
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Household Hints

Leftover materials may be used in various ways: Sun-suits and aprons can be made for small girls; doll dresses may be made from small pieces; they will cover potholders and in-artistic lampshades, or you can make ruffling for curtains or table place mats.

Torn shower curtains can be mended quickly by placing transparent tape over rip.

If your card table top is worn, glue a bright piece of linoleum over it.



Scarf Makes Attractive Gift For A Man

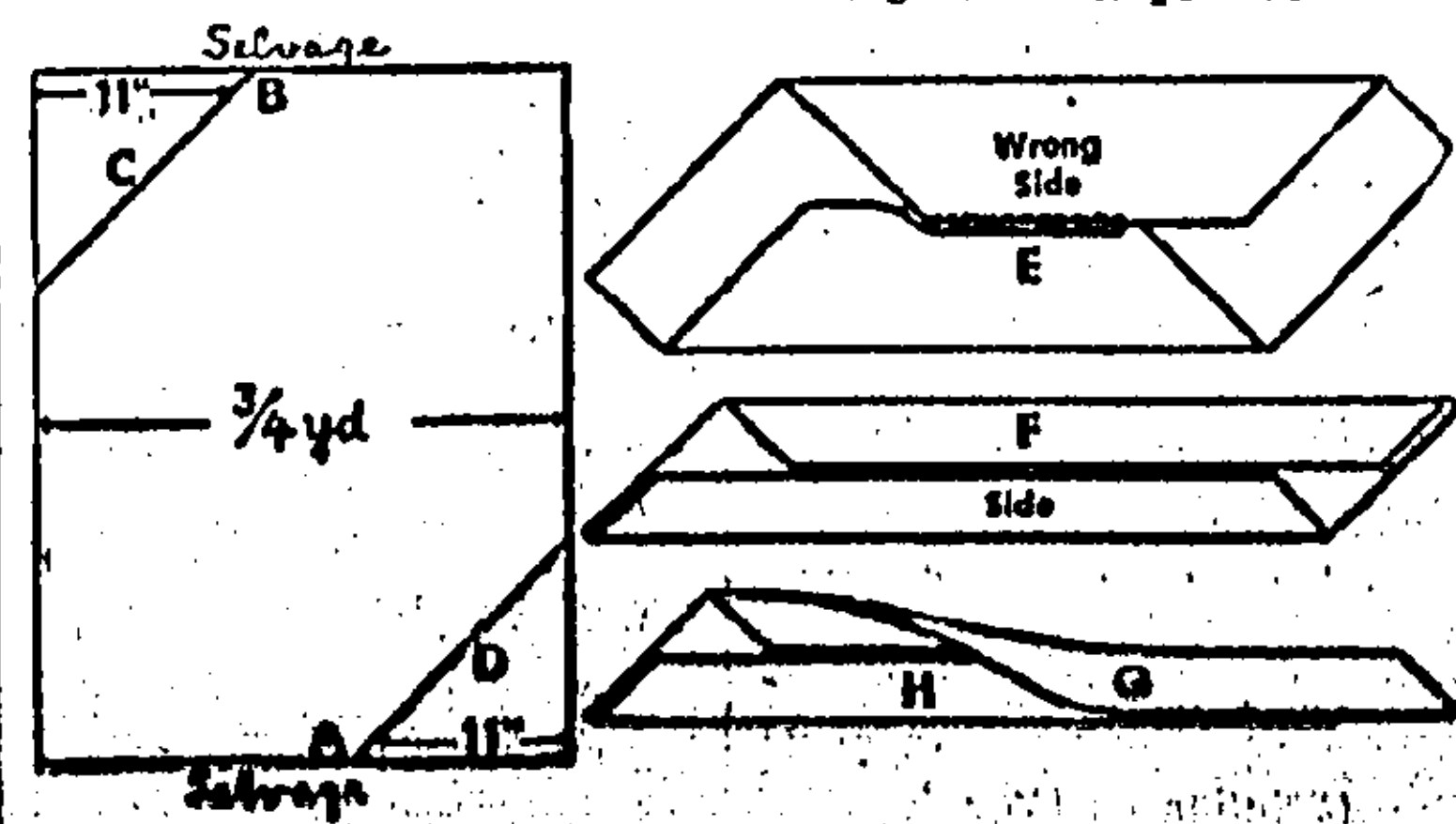


the centre and stitch, on wrong side of fabric, a 1/4" seam, as at E. Press seam open. Have no concern for irregular ends.

Hem all edges with a narrow hem. Use machine hemmer or slip stitch by hand, depending upon your fabric. If fabric is cotton, use a machine hem because the scarf will be washed often and the machine hem will hold more securely than hand hem.

Turn scarf right side out, place flat, and centre seam pressed. Fold two outside edges in toward centre, as shown in F. Finally, fold G over H and scarf is ready for wearing.

This makes a practical scarf for men to wear with cow-boy shirts or flannel or other sport shirts when no necktie is worn. Men like these washable scarves, and if you choose a pattern as carefully as you would choose a necktie, you will undoubtedly make a gift that will give much pleasure.



Pick Shoes for Style, Comfort



These suede slingback pumps are a good choice for late afternoon and informal evening wear. They have polished leather soles and trim.

By HELEN FOLLETT

WHEN a woman abuses her feet she pays and pays and pays. The little step is lost, the lines of her figure may change, and not for the better, she gets frowns between her eyes and there is no health in her. She buys shoes with scarcely a thought of the effect they may have upon her feet; the whole idea is to get the kind that "looks cute."

Think of the time and effort women lavish upon their hands

and complexions, what they spend for permanents, hair rinses, manicures and cosmetics. But their poor heels go begging, not for style and fashion elegance but for comfort, health and common sense. Properly-shod feet are a good-looking asset, instead of a drawback, will contribute to good posture, a youthful walk, a fresh, lively appearance. If you are hobbling along on spikes with your spinal column thrown out of alignment take a serious view of this subject.

Dressy Occasions

You can have your high heels for dressy occasions but for wear with suits you should select a practical shoe, one with leather uppers and flexible leather soles. The oxford is ideal for comfort and pumps are setting a pace in the style picture for dressy, tailored or casual wear. The pump is the shoe to enhance sleek foot lines and flattery below the hemline.

Pumps come in a variety of modern. They have latched touches that are irresistible. You will find them of suede with black patent trim, smart as all get-out. The pump is many shoes, not just one, adding graceful airs to feminine feet.

Be as fussy about your stockings as you are about your shoes. Get them sufficiently long so they will be a full inch longer than your foot. Short stockings can throw the toes into a huddle; in that event you will be in for plenty of misery. The shape of the toes may change, toe nails thicken and then what? The sight of your feet will give you the shivers.

If you abuse your feet you will pay and pay and pay.

Spaghetti With Meat Sauce
DINNER
Tossed Celery and Greens Salad
Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Buttered Toast
Baked Prune Custard
Coffee, Tea or Milk
All Measurements Are Level
Recipes Serve Four to Six

Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Melt 2 tbs. fat. Add 1 peeled chopped onion and 1 peeled chopped section garlic. Sauté until they turn colour. Add 1 lb. chopped beef or hamburger, and stir with a fork until light brown. Add 1 (No. 2 1/2) tin tomatoes, 1 tsp. sugar, 1/4 tsp. oregano, 1 pt. water, 2 bouillon cubes or 2 envelopes broth powder. Cover and simmer 1 to 1 1/2 hrs., or until the sauce begins to thicken. Add 2 chopped green peppers, and continue to cook 20 min., or until tender. Meantime cook 1 lb. spaghetti in 4 qts. boiling salted water about 12 min., or until tender but not mushy. Drain in a colander. Add the sauce to the spaghetti. Transfer

Baked Prune Custard
Use 4 good-sized custard cups. In each place 4 stoned cooked prunes, cut in halves. Pour over the custard mixture. Place in a pan; half surround with boiling water. Bake until a knife inserted in the centre comes out clean. Serve warm or chilled.

Trick of the Chef
Add 1/2 c. fine stale cake crumbs to prune custard in place of 1 egg.

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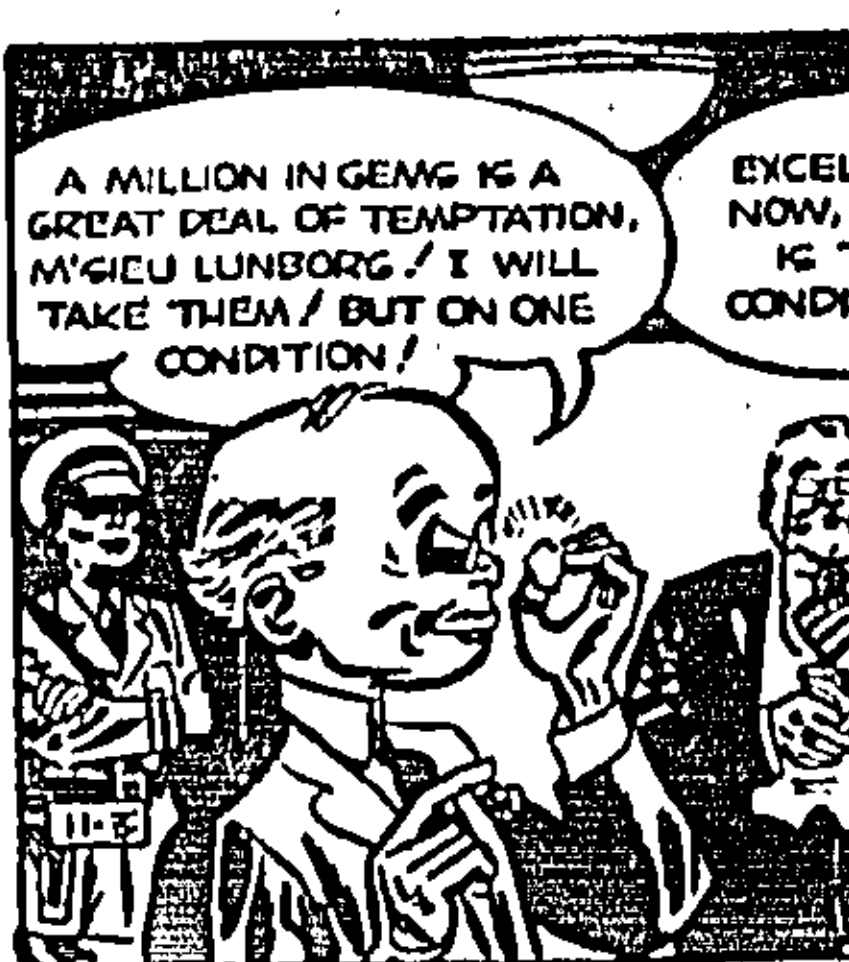
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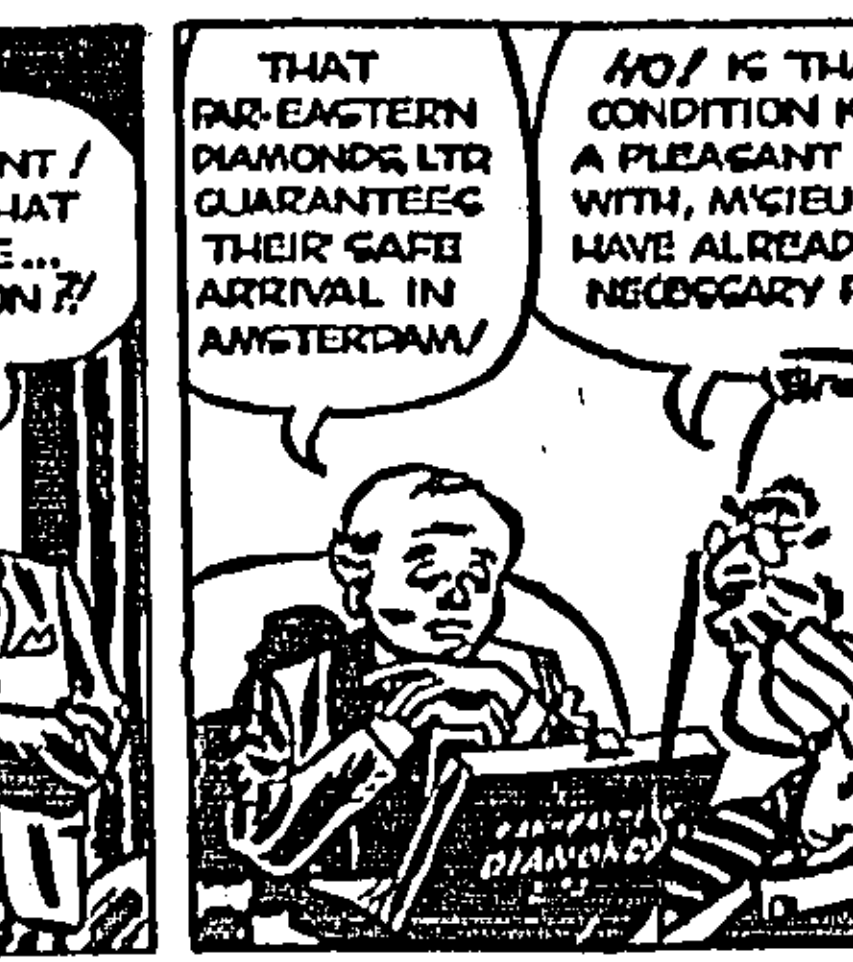
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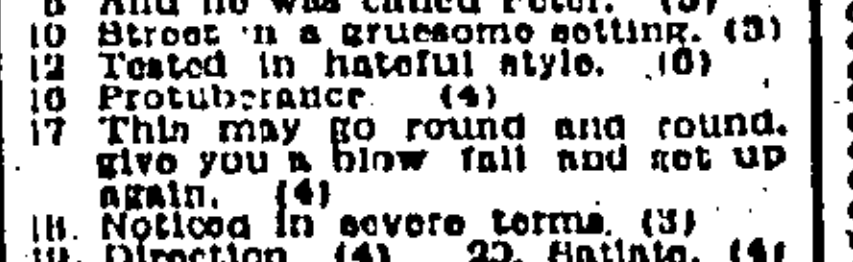
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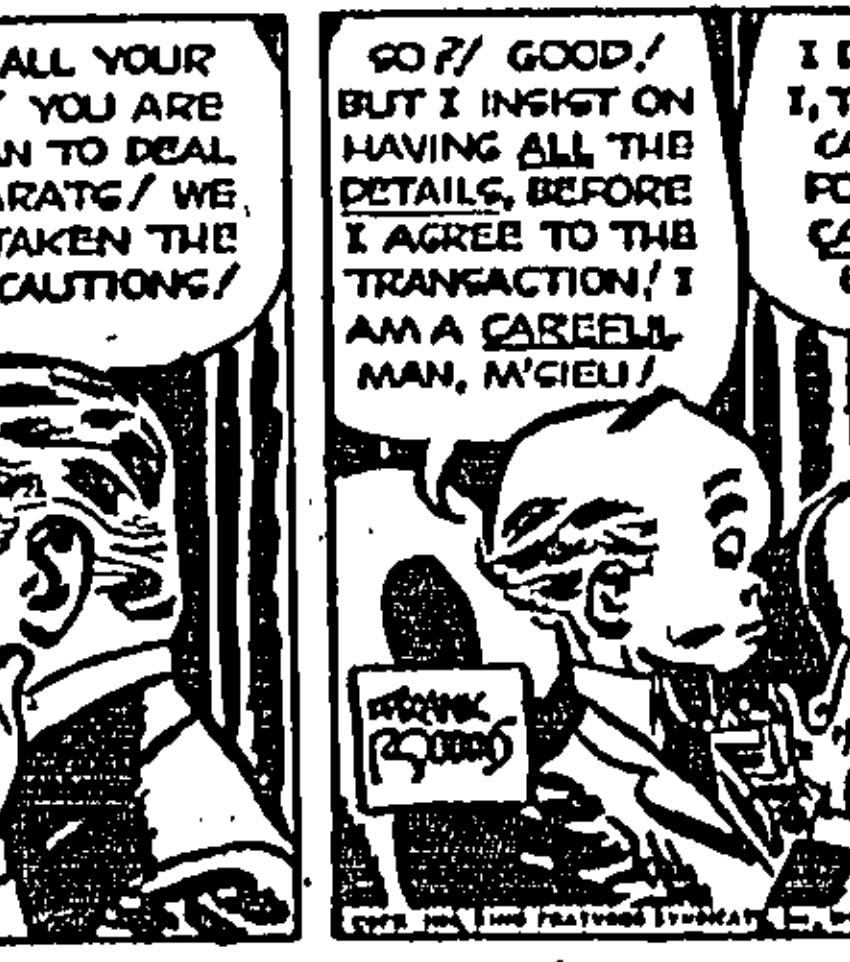
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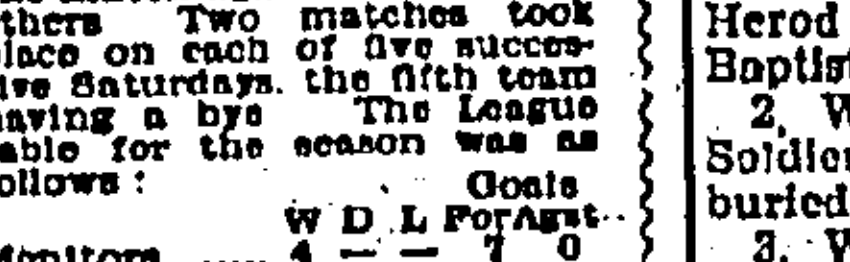
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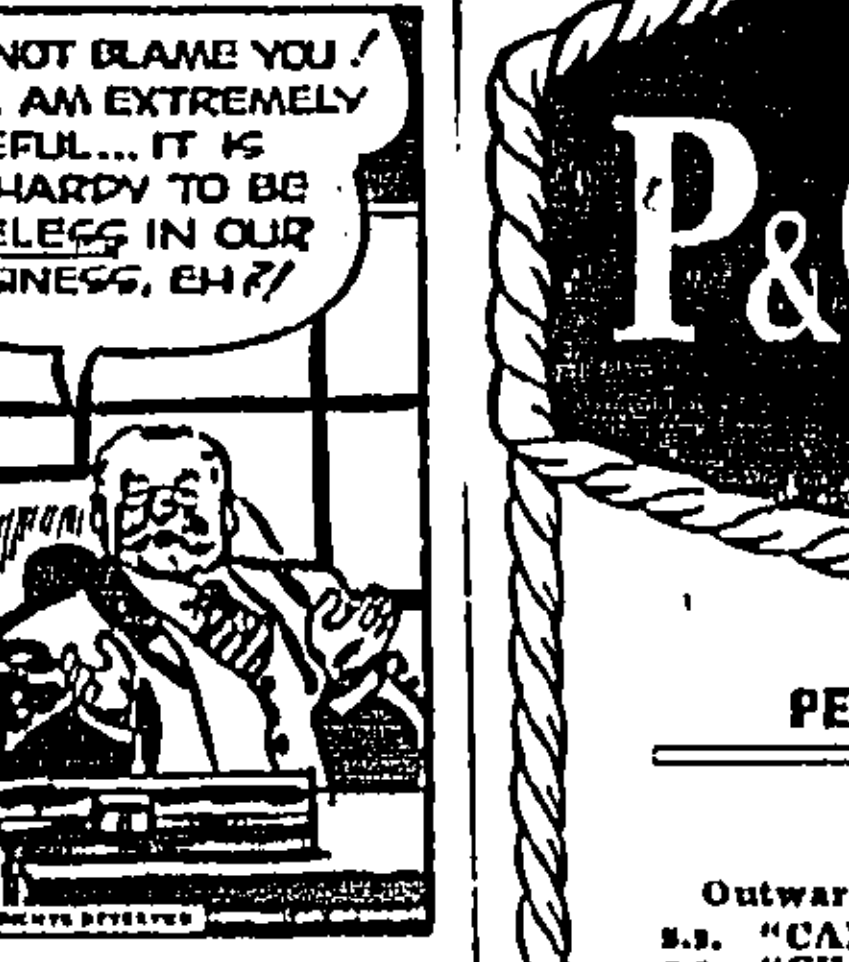
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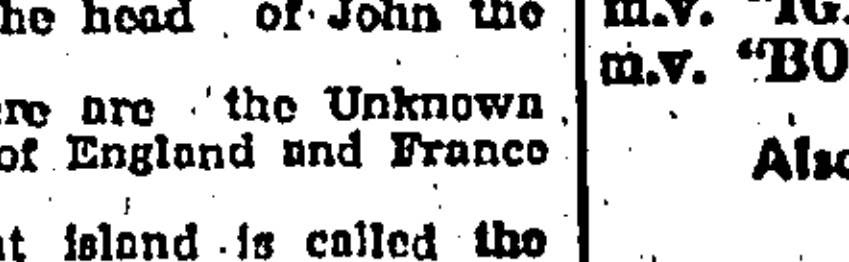
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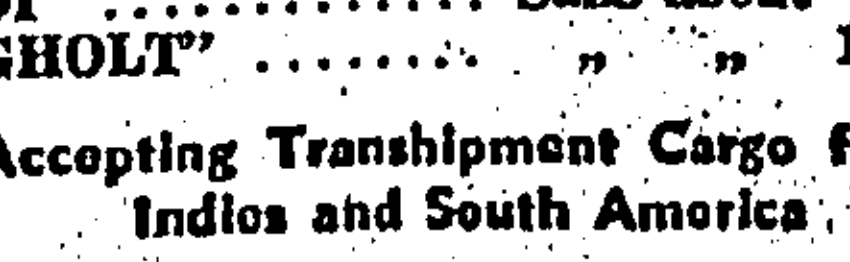
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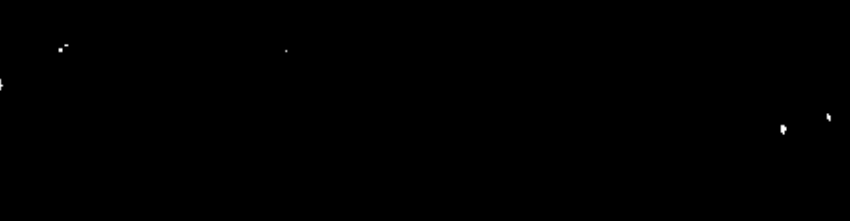
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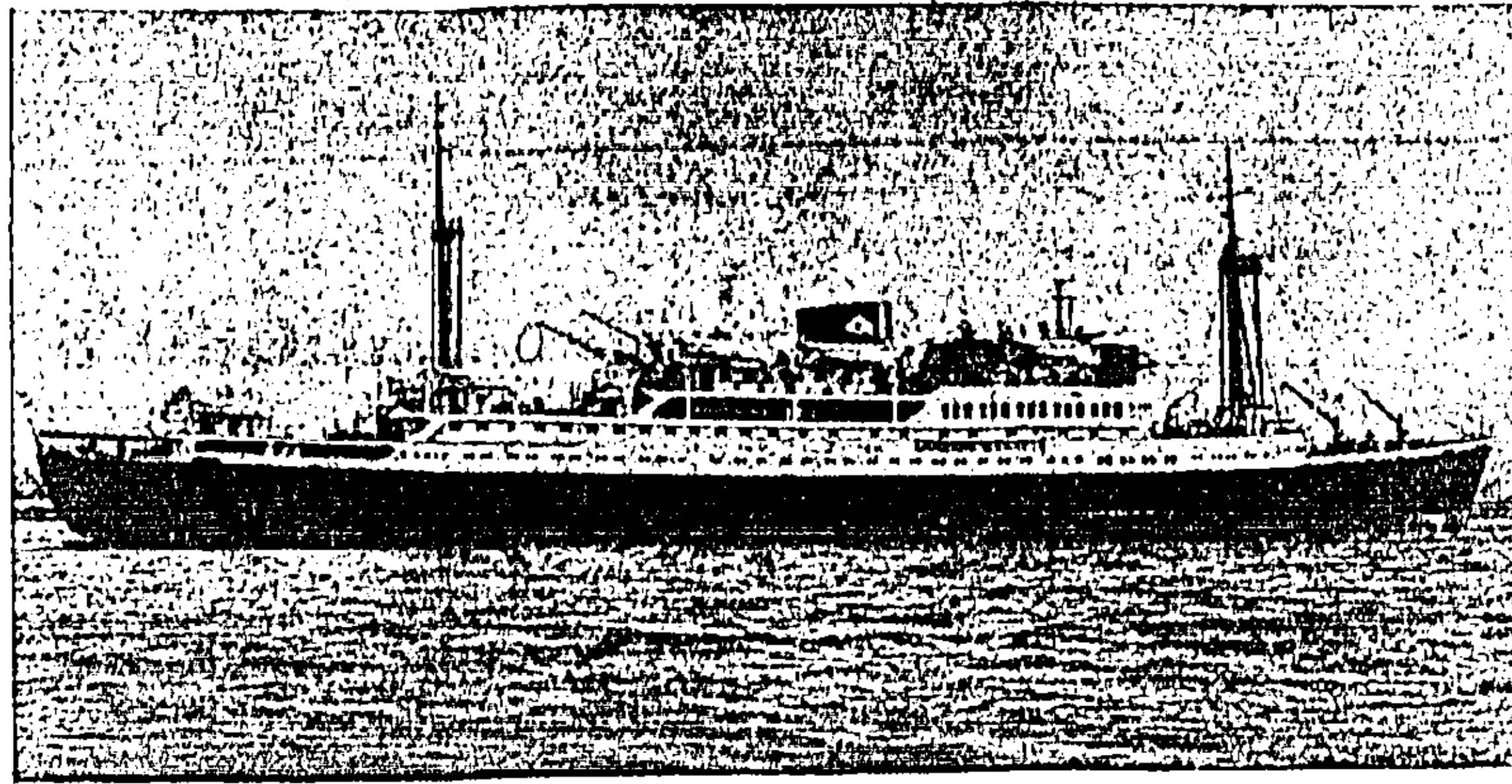
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Grain Price
In Chicago

Chicago, Feb. 1.
Prices of grain futures
closed here today as follows:—

Wheat—price per bushel	
Spot	2.50 1/2
December	2.57 1/2
March	2.57 1/2
May	2.57 1/2
July	2.57 1/2
Corn	
Spot	1.01
December	1.02 1/2
March	1.04 1/2
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Oats	
Spot	1.04 1/2
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New York Flour—per 200 lb. sack	
100% Hard	1.04 1/2
100% Soft	1.04 1/2
100% Super	1.04 1/2
100% Extra	1.04 1/2
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—United Press.

New Wool High

Sydney, Feb. 1.

Two separate lots of superfine
wool broke the Australian price
record at the Goulburn wool
sales today.

Each lot realised 323 pence a
pound, compared with the pre-
vious record at Sydney last
week of 313 pence.—Associated
Press.

Japan Export
Bank Open

Tokyo, Feb. 1.

The newly established
Japan Export Bank opened
for business today with the
primary purpose of facili-
tating the sale of plant
equipment abroad.

The Bank will primarily
furnish credit to exporters
and manufacturers of
machinery. It will handle
only those transactions in-
volving more than 25
million yen (£25,000).—
Reuter.

HONGKONG
SHARE
MARKET

The volume of business
transacted on the Stock Ex-
change this morning was
valued at \$305,724.00. The
half day's business and
closing prices were as fol-
lows:

SHARES BUYERS SELLERS SALES	
BANKS	
HSBC	1240 1275
East Asia	100
INDUSTRIALS	
Union	622 50
Underwriters	2 1/2
HSBC	125
DOCKS, ETC.	
K. Wharf	70 73
N. P. Wharf	4 1/2
15,200 @ 4 1/2	
Dock	11 1/2
Provident	0 1/2
Shai Dock	2 1/2
Wharfedock	20
LAND, ETC.	
HSBC	6 20 3/4
HSBC	34
Shai Land	1 25
UTILITIES	
Tram	11 50
Star Ferry	12
C. Light (6)	6
200 @ 6	
300 @ 6	
1000 @ 6	
C. Light	5 50
(Jornia)	2478 @ 5 70
1000 @ 5 70	
Electric	23 1/2
24 100 @ 23 1/2	
500 @ 23 1/2	
3000 @ 23 1/2	
INDUSTRIALS	
Cement	12
200 @ 12 1/2	
500 @ 12 1/2	
1000 @ 12 1/2	
Rope	12 10
STOCKS, ETC.	
Dairy	12 12 1/2
200 @ 12 1/2	
500 @ 20	
WATSON	
COTTONS	
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London Stock
Exchange

London, Feb. 1.
British funds were weak on
the London Stock Exchange to-
day on selling for reinvestment
in steel shares.

The smaller investor, how-
ever, sold steel for reinvest-
ment in industrials, particularly
textiles, which showed a long
list of gains.

Shipments were also in de-
mand and oils were mainly
higher. Coppers were depressed.
Financial Times' Index: 121.5.
—Associated Press.

London Rubber
Futures

London, Feb. 1.
Prices of rubber futures closed
here today as follows:—
No. 1 rubber, in cents
per lb. 64-65
March 63 1/2-64
April/June 63 1/2-64
July/October 64 1/2-65
October/December 64 1/2-65
—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local
exchange market this
morning at the following rates:—
Sterling note (per £1) 153 1/2
U.S. dollars (per \$1) 5.04 1/2
Indonesian guilders (per 100) 4.00
Siam (per 100) 10.00
Singapore (per 100) 10.00
FIC (per 100) 10.00
—United Press.

New York Metals

New York, Feb. 1.
Prices in the metal market
here closed today unchanged
with the following exceptions:—
Tin, grade A (99.80 per cent
or higher) New York, per lb.
102.80.—United Press.

NEW TIN RECORD

Singapore, Feb. 1.
Malayan tin hit a new record
high today, selling at 81-1/2
per picul, a gain of 4 1/2 over
Wednesday's closing.—Associa-
ted Press.

Tjiwangi
Arriving
Tomorrow

A luxurious 10,000-ton
liner, the Tjiwangi, of
the Royal Interocean
Lines, is due to arrive in
Hongkong tomorrow on
her maiden voyage.

The Tjiwangi, launched at
the end of last year, is the
latest addition to the extensive
passenger and cargo vessel fleet
of the Royal Interocean Lines.
She will berth at Pier No. 1,
Kowloon Wharf.

The Tjiwangi, which will be
put on the Hongkong-Indonesia
run, will sail from Hongkong
on Feb. 23.

The name "Tjiwangi", as are
many other names of R.I.L. ves-
sels, is the name of a river in
Indonesia and the phonetical
translation of the name in Chinese
expresses lyrically the thought of
many Chinese who will join this
vessel on one of her trips—"ten
thousand precious flowers".
First class passengers (cap-
acity: 98 passengers) will be im-
pressed by the spaciousness of
their nicely decorated cabins,
the greater part with private
shower and toilet adjoining, the
distinction of the Social Hall,
surrounded by a wide large-
windowed promenade deck,
library and writing room, the
air-conditioned dining-room,
not to forget the bar in bright,
inviting colours.

Chinese passengers will
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to their taste.

The Tjiwangi will carry 180
second-class passengers in
spacious cabins, all fitted with
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deck-passengers will be ac-
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ties offered to them are expected
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the Far East.

Frigidaire are installed in
all tween-decks and deck-
passengers travelling by the
Tjiwangi will be able to pur-
chase fresh, cold drinks in hot
climates.

Standard Oil
Stock Split

San Francisco, Feb. 1.
Stockholders of Standard Oil
Company of California today
voted to split the stock two
for one, effective Feb. 14, and
directors voted a dividend of
65 cents a share on the new
stock.

The dividend would represent
a payment of \$1.30 on the old
stock, compared with the \$0.65
declared in recent quarters.
The dividend is payable
March 10 on stock of record
Feb. 14.

Directors recommended re-
cently to the stockholders that
the stock be split.—Associated
Press.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per
S.S. "DENRINNES"

are hereby notified that their cargo
is being discharged into the Hong-
kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown
Co's godowns, where it will be at
Consignees' risk and subject to the
Wharf's terms and condition of
storage, and where delivery may be
obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left
in the Godowns for examination by
Consignees and the Company's sur-
veyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke,
at 10 a.m. on 2nd February, 1951.

To comply with the General
Bonded Warehouse Regulations,
Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when damaged
dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the steamer's
godowns, and all goods remaining
undelivered after 5th February,
1951, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before 21st February,
1951, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

W. R. Loxley & Co.,
(CHINA) LTD.,
Agents,
Ben Liao Steamers, Ltd.,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1951.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

CONSIGNEES PER
Australia-West Pacific Line
m/s "CITUS"

are hereby notified that their cargo
is being discharged into the Hong-
kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown
Co's godowns, where it will be at
Consignees' risk and subject to the
Wharf's terms and condition of
storage, and where delivery may be
obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left
in the Godowns for examination by
Consignees and the Company's sur-
veyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke,
at 10 a.m. on the 3rd February,
1951.

To comply with the General
Bonded Warehouse Regulations,
Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when damaged
dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the steamer's
godowns, and all goods remaining
undelivered after 5th February,
1951, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before the 12th
February, 1951, or they will not be
recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
Agents,
Hongkong, 31st January, 1951.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

Consignees per
S.S. "DENRINNES"

are hereby notified that their cargo
is being discharged into the Hong-
kong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown
Co's godowns, where it will be at
Consignees' risk and subject to the
Wharf's terms and condition of
storage, and where delivery may be
obtained.

Damaged packages are to be left
in the Godowns for examination by
Consignees and the Company's sur-
veyors, Messrs. Carmichael & Clarke,
at 10 a.m. on 5th February, 1951.

To comply with the General
Bonded Warehouse Regulations,
Consignees must have a Revenue
Officer in attendance when damaged
dutiable goods are examined.

No claims will be admitted after
the goods have left the steamer's
godowns, and all goods remaining
undelivered after 5th February,
1951, will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer
must be presented to the Under-
signed on or before 18th February,
1951, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

W. R. Loxley & Co.,
(CHINA) LTD.,
Agents,
Ben Liao Steamers, Ltd.,
Hongkong, 31st January, 1951.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

S.S. "TANTALUS"

Damaged cargo ex this vessel
will be surveyed at Holt's Wharf
between 10 a.m. and noon on
February 3 and 5, 1951, and con-
signees are requested to have their
representatives present during the
survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents,
Hong Kong, February, 1, 1951.

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PORTS and
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ARRIVALS

"TASMAN" In Port 3rd Feb.
"VAN HEUTZ" 3rd Feb.
"TJITJALENGKA" 10th Feb.
"TJIVANGI" 28th Feb.
"TJIBADANE" 27th Feb.

SAILINGS

3rd Feb.
11th Feb.
28th Feb.

MANILA, EAST &

SOUTH AFRICA and
SOUTH AMERICA

ARRIVALS

"TJIPANAS" In Port 16th Feb.
"BOISSEVAIN" 24th Mar.
"TJIBADANE" 8th Feb.
"STRAAT SOENDA" 17th Feb.

SAILINGS

16th Feb.
24th Mar.
20th Mar.

JAPAN

"BOISSEVAIN" 23rd Mar.
"TJIBADANE" 18th Mar.
"TJIPANAS" 18th Mar.
"TJIBADANE" 18th Mar.

ARRIVALS

23rd Mar.

SAILINGS

12th Feb.
16th Feb.
1st Mar.

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"MELISKERK" 7th Feb.
"AAGTEKERK" 5th Mar.
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ARRIVALS

7th Feb.

SAILINGS

12th Feb.

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Passengers are requested to board the vessel
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Baggage-room and Hold baggage will be received
in Godown No. 50 of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf
& Godown Co., Ltd., entrance through Gate No. 2,
Canton Road, Kowloon, on Saturday, February 3, from
9 A.M. to noon and from 2 P.M. to 5 P.M.



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